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Justice Powell: Gentle Southerner

by Brian Malkin

Former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Lewis Powell spoke informally about the Court at the National Law Center on November 1st. Powell's presentation brought a record crowd of approximately 300 people to LL101. The warm response was appropriate given Powell's graciousness in speaking at the NLC despite a list of over-commitments.



Justice Powell Flanked by Deans Friedenthal, Schwartz and Mrs. Joanne Friedenthal.

Powell first presented his reason for retiring from the Court: "I thought that age 80 was a good time to retire," he said. In spite of all the controversy of finding a Justice to replace Powell, he believed that Kennedy was a good choice and described him as a "agreeable and attractive fellow."

Powell next talked about Chief Justice Burger's progressive influence on the Court as a

whole. For example, Burger established the concept of a circuit executive to watch all circuit court developments. In addition, Burger helped to develop an administrative office for state courts in Williamsburg, VA, as well as the Bicentennial Commission.

In response to the perception that Rehnquist has now gained control of the Court, Powell asserted that no one person controls the Court. In support

of his proposition, Powell mentioned that all justices of the Court take the oath and vote independently. Powell, however, admitted that Rehnquist is now more comfortable with his position and the Chief Justice is now more likely to write the opinion of the Court when he is with the majority. For example, in the first year Rehnquist was Chief Justice, he wrote the

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NLC Almost Harbors a Fugitive

by Lisa Federici

[Editor's Note: First years—before you grumble about your legal research and writing teachers, think of who you might have had! The story below is true, the names have not been changed to protect the guilty.]

If you could think of a way to change your identity, to "become" a Harvard-and-Oxford educated lawyer with extensive law review articles sporting your name, to have your choice of practically any job you desired... would you do it? And if it involved a bit of risk, a dance on the outer edge of legality, the type of excitement lacking at many (most?) law firms... would that make it all the more attractive??

For those of you who yelled "Yes!, Yes!" at the mere prospect, you are not alone. (For those of you who stood up and yelled "Outrageous!!", go teach a torts class.)

William C. Burns, an Illinois native who received his under-

grad degree at Bradley University (don't ask, it's in Peoria), who completed one year at the University of Iowa College of Law but was "ineligible to return", decided that he was not happy being himself. Now we've all felt like that at some point in our lives, but how many of us have the chutzpah to actually do something about it??

After leaving Iowa Law, Mr. Burns attended UC-Berkeley Law for yet another first year (would you ever voluntarily subject yourself to first year again??), and spent his summer clerking at Jones, Day. While at Jones, Day, Mr. Burns met a fellow summer associate named Eric J. McFadden. Somehow, somewhere, for some reason, Mr. Burns decided that he would meander through the rest of his life as Eric J. McFadden. He adopted a new identity.

Mr. Burns did not return to Berkeley. (Rumor has it that he was expelled because of "fraudu-

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Burns Donates Computer Funds

by Sally Weinbrom

In honor of Dean Jack Friedenthal's arrival at the NLC, Dr. Jacob Burns, in yet another generous gesture, has donated funds to the law school for the purchase of more computer terminals. The terminals will be restricted to student use. Dean Friedenthal said that he was pleased, noting the dearth of accessible computer facilities for many law students.

"Dr. Burns is quite remarkable in his continued support of this school," said Friedenthal. "I went to New York just to meet and talk to him and he turned around and on his own volition offered the money for the computers." Friedenthal said. The Burns Law Library is also the result of Dr. Burns generosity, a 1924 alumnus of the National Law Center. Dr. Burns also received his Doctorate of Law from the NLC in 1970.

Currently, the library houses five computers, two capable of accommodating 5 and 1/4 inch disks and the other three capable of accommodating 3 and 1/2 inch disks. There are also three operable printers. Though most students use the word processors for writing, the computers are also hooked into the Lexis and Westlaw legal research systems.

Access to the terminals is often limited because of large demand. According to Roberta Shaffer, Acting Associate Librarian with the Law Library, the computers were originally not intended to be used as surrogate typewriters for law students. Rather, their location in the

library was to facilitate student access to law books which could not be checked out. Thus, students were to use the computers to type in citations and quotes onto a document which they had prepared on their own computers.

Instead, many students, without the resources to purchase a computer of their own, and entranced with the suitability of computers to law school work, have used the library computers to draft memoranda, briefs, cover letters and even resumes. Such use has necessarily commanded the computers' time by a few students to the detriment of many others.

In addition, the library staff reports high incidence of maintenance problems due to the heavy use. Since no one on the library staff is trained in word processing, they often cannot respond to student inquiries regarding appropriate methods. Nor can they fix terminals which break down.

The new computers will therefore be a blessing to the students and the library. "I think it extremely important that students have access to computers," said Dean Friedenthal. "Clearly the number available now in no way matches the number of students in a school of this size which need such equipment."

Dean Friedenthal is not exactly sure how many terminals the school will purchase with the grant, nor where they will be installed. "I would like to see them placed so that students can have the convenience of using

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SBA President Wayne Arden Salutes Queen Jeralyn.
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EDITORIALS

Graduate Student Initiative

A meeting of graduate students took place last week which will hopefully have an immediate effect on future GWU Student Association response to graduate student concerns. The meeting of students, representing practically all the graduate and professional programs at the university, and including NLC representatives Ari Brose, Delaine Swenson, and SBA President Wayne Arden, was part of a new graduate student initiative, proposed by GWU Student Association President Raffi Terzian.

The graduate students in attendance talked about issues of import to them, seeking to prepare a presentation for the Student Association. Specifically, the students discussed the proposed student activity fee and the recent decision by the University to suddenly withhold a larger portion of students' stipends from their University paychecks in order to comply with new federal tax law.

According to Ms. Brose, the sentiments at the meeting were astonishment that the graduate students had not thought to meet earlier. Graduate students outnumber undergraduates on GW campus 55 percent to 45 percent. Nevertheless, because of their independent programs and off-campus lifestyles, graduate student concerns have not, to date, been given adequate attention by the Student Association.

Hats off to Terzian for promoting the idea. And commendations to those students who donate their time to an effort to represent all us all. Perhaps the time has come to consider splicing graduate school activity funding from undergraduate activity funding, since the needs of both groups are so completely different.

At least the graduate student initiative is the first step in the right direction.

And Graduated Student Initiative

Mr. Joe Brand and the Alumni Association seem to be taking a more active interest in the law school this year. In the past three years, the alumni association has been visible at the first year brunch and third year cocktail party just prior to graduation.

This year, the alumni association has urged law students to join them in its Continuing Legal Education Program next weekend in an effort to foster communications. Moreover, the alumni are planning to take a more active role in fundraising, and hopefully will be able to help the law school through its current budget crunch.

Everyone wants to belong. It is nice to know that the NLC alumni community value us as future members.

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Letters to the Editor

Feminism Error

To The Editor:

I appreciate you running my article on feminism in the last issue of *The Advocate*, yet it seems that a number of the of the assumptions in my piece were wrong.

In writing my essay, I attributed one conversation I had as a standing for the entire reading group's position. That too was wrong.

As it turns out, the reading group was joined by a man last week, a fact that we can all be glad about.

In light of the facts as they are, my charges were unwarranted and unfair, and I would like to apologize to the group as whole.

Eric Lipman 3L Day

Powell (Cont'd)

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opinion in 108 cases and Brennan wrote the opinion for 35 cases.

At this point, Powell injected his opinion that a Justice should not hear arguments unless he is prepared to vote. Since arguments are limited to half an hour for each side, according to Powell, a Justice "must know how he is going to vote almost before hearing argument." Powell added that he changed his opinion based on the arguments on several occasions.

The Junior Justice, Powell commented, has a unique power over other members of the Court. Since the Junior Justice votes last, he has the power to make the majority if there is a tie. Additionally, the Junior Justice answers the door for messengers and food and drink--a duty Powell found hard to watch Justice O'Connor execute. Powell's comment about Justice O'Connor was typical of his "Southern Gentleman"-type humor which he is known for and was warmly received by the audience.

The last comment Powell emphasized about the Court concerned the Court's perceived "intellectual power." In Powell's opinion, the Court currently has attained one of the highest intellectual points in its history because of the high percentage of Phi Beta Kappa's sitting on the court as well as the amount of judicial experience the Justices share.

Powell next turned to discuss his views on the legal profession as he perceives it. Powell said that he regretted to see the lack of encouragement by law firms for pro bono work due to high emphasis on chargeable hours. To correct this error, Powell advised all students to inquire about prospective law firms' pro bono work prior to accepting employment because of the many civic duties lawyers can perform for their own community and the country.

The current trend for lawyers to advertise for clients Powell finds unsatisfactory. Powell believes, "law is a profession, not a trade...money should not be a lawyer's primary factor." Powell advised law students to look at a firm's activities and pro bono work first, before the firm's starting salaries. Powell followed his own advice, he contends, because he twice had the opportunity to work in New York

Incensed

To Me:

I was displeased to see my good name defamed in the last issue of *The Advocate*, Oct. 31, 1988 at p. 11, col. 1. I, along with my husband Gomez, my children, Pugsley and Tuesday, my mother, Grandma, my butler Lurch, my Cousin, It, my uncle, Fester and Thing intend to sue *The Advocate* for libel.

Sally Weinbrom
Editor-in-Chief
The Advocate

City but instead remained in a smaller city in Virginia.

In conclusion to his informal speech, Powell stated, "I am proud to be a lawyer." Lawyers and judges have a responsibility to preserve the law, and, Powell noted, he knows of no greater responsibility.

After the speech, Powell answered a number of questions from the audience with candor. Powell stated that he was the only Supreme Court Justice to be appointed without having any judicial experience before accepting the post. Powell believes that more "practical lawyer" experience could help broaden the diversity in the Court.

In response to a question about the proper role of the Senate approval of judges, Powell intimated that a potential Justice should not have to explain how he planned to vote on potential cases brought to the Court. At the same time, Powell did not question the need for a review committee and viewed the Senate committee as merely part of the process.

Powell answered a question regarding the motivations of any Justice to retire the Court by relating his own experience on the matter. Before Powell turned 80, he had already decided that he wanted to retire at 80 because he would be too old to serve in the capacity he wanted to serve in. Powell believes that the life tenure of Justices is too long because there is a tendency for Justices to remain on the bench longer than their welcome. Powell also added that the election process for judges encouraged candidate judges to obtain contributions from various sources, creating questions of ethical behavior.

Powell said that he was proud to write the opinion in the *Bakke* case, which, in essence, said affirmative action policies were constitutional. He added that he believed that a majority of the Court still support the basic analysis of this decision. In reaction to two other important cases, Powell emphasized that the principle of *stare decisis* would probably maintain the decisions in *Roe v. Wade* and *Bowers v. Hardwick*, the case involving the constitutionality of state laws prohibiting sodomy.

Powell affirmed the opinions of Justices O'Connor and Scalia, which were delivered by those Justices in person in previous

Post Election Depression, Again

[Editor's Note: Due to a production error, Mr. Chase's commentary was reproduced incorrectly in the last issue of The Advocate. Unfortunately, the subject of Mr. Chase's article, the election has passed. Nonetheless, reprinted below, correctly, in its entirety is Mr. Chase's article as submitted. We apologize for any embarrassment our error caused Mr. Chase.]

by Brian Chase

For most people in America, the campaign for the presidency began in full force shortly after labor day. For your average political junky like myself, however, the campaign really began one tenth of a score ago (Sorry Abe, but I'm just keeping with the political theme) as the prospective candidates began to assert themselves more strongly, networks began airing the dreaded twenty second sound bites, and yes, the first election-related public opinion polls began surfacing.

I confess that I have allowed myself to become addicted to this process. While most people live their lives day to day, I find that I live my life bite to bite and poll to poll. I just can't sleep at night without seeing one more good bite. After all, one good bite deserves another. Although I'm a republican, I'd even settle for a democratic sound bite-- anything for a good night's sleep.

Sometimes, when I just can't find one on the tube, I even create my own sound bites-- ones that fortunately will never be aired. The last time I had insomnia, for example, I thought to myself "This whole Dukakis campaign gives new meaning to the words, Greek theatre"-- then I slept like a baby. But in just about 1/520 of a score (oops! Forgive me, Abe), it will all be over.

Regardless of who wins, I have nothing to look forward to but about three years of sleepless nights. This problem is commonly referred to (by me) as post election depression. And unless a good scandal or two comes along, I have no chance of recovery until the next election.

the eye former, which emits a gas which then expands as the cheese ripens.

When Super Tuesday was finally over, I can remember spending hours of fruitless research trying to discover why elections are always held on Tuesdays, and presidential elections are held the second Tuesday in November. That effort remains a fruitless one, as I have concluded that in fact, nobody knows and I'm the only one who cares.

One camera opportunity showed Michael Dukakis tasting certain foods in an ethnic community somewhere. The narrator of the piece noted that one of the foods Dukakis was eating was cashew nuts. That sparked a fire in me and I was determined to find out

fact, some even argue that a new president is one of the least valuable products of a campaign. I guess that depends on whether your candidate won or lost. Regardless, without campaigns, think of all the pollsters who would be in danger of losing their livelihood. Then, according to the farmer subsidy system of logic, we'd have to spend billions just to keep these guys in business. Rock stars would have to band together for a huge Poll Aid concert. Michael Jackson would have to write the words to the song, "We are the Pollsters". The Gallup corporation would be forced to slow to a mere trot. But worst of all, thousands of us political junkies would be without our two year reprieve.

I'm beginning to tremble just thinking about what my life will be like after November 8th. I guess life will be pretty empty. I suppose there's always a chance there will be a recount. If anybody's interested in forming a new PAC known as the L.S.R. (Law Students for a Recount), please contact me immediately.

OPINION

Contrary to what my friends believe, my obsession with this campaign is not completely valueless. It can be somewhat educational at times. For example, Gov. Dukakis had one of my favorite sound bites when he referred to our economy as a "swiss cheese" economy -- full of holes. Of course, this spurred V.P. Bush to note that the democrats are "all holes, no cheese." This spurred me to do a little research -- through which I discovered that the actual cause of holes in swiss cheese is a bacterium known as

why cashews are never served in their shells. It took me two supermarkets and a health food store to find out that the answer is very simple -- they have no shells. But don't all nuts have shells? Yes, but cashews aren't nuts, they're seeds to a fruit, the cashew apple. Yet another piece of knowledge I gained through the guidance of the campaign. Thank god for sound bites.

So as you can see, there are many valuable things that come out of the campaign process, only a small part of which is a new president. In

The Hollow Victory of George Bush

by Robert Hirsh

Here in the pristine halls of jurisprudential endeavor, our political awareness is as keen as in any segment of society. Certainly, we can say that it is far more savvy than that of the general populace. The recent election of the republican George Bush to the presidency, however, gives rise to the question of just how savvy and knowledgeable the average voter is. Some may deem this an inappropriate area of inquiry, but in a society such as ours constant introspection, criticism, and debate are the cornerstones of what we hold most dear.

That the collective wisdom of American voters is at times faulty and that they may have actually acted against the nation's best interests, hence against their own, seems among the worst forms of political heresy and social elitism. Yet it is not elitism which inspires this comment, but the uniquely American right to dissent. That one disagrees with a majority can never be determinative of whether one is right or wrong. Majorities are not infallible diviners of right; our Constitution in great part is designed with just that truth in mind.

Bush's election is clear evidence that you can fool all of the people some of the time. Yet those who voted for Bush were not all fools, though doubtless a few were. Many were undoubtedly quite intelligent and well informed voters, yet even those who are most intelligent are nonetheless prey to error. In this campaign especially, one need not have been a fool to still err due to misinformation, faulty basics, or a weak link in their chain of reasoning. What is of the greatest concern here is that misinformation did pass for fact,

that inconsequential passed themselves off as issues, and that a very cynical and selfish group of quite intelligent people manipulated symbols and events in order to preserve their status to the detriment of those they professed to guide.

We are not about to indulge in a rehash of the past campaign. Facts have this tendency, annoying to those who attempt their distortion, to stand for themselves. There is not a partisan voter reading this piece who is not fully aware of the untruths purveyed by the Bush campaign, regardless of who they voted for. That anyone in this select community of law students believed in the Pledge of

ignorance is truly the stuff of class division, manipulation, and the obvious sentiment of superiority. It is despicable. To see the sly and cynical smiles and laughs of Bush supporters as their candidate again and again hammered home at the fears and emotions of voters, knowing full well their persuasive effects, is unforgivable and inexcusable. This is so especially when viewed through the cold, clear glass of these people's own motivations-- personal greed and benefit.

These votes were not votes cast for the betterment of America and its people. These were votes cast for the preservation of personal wealth and status. Wealth and status are unquestionably the lowest

choose, nothing ever changes (more often than not true). Ripe territory is thus left for the self-centered and the manipulative to insure prolongation of their cozy and secure situations when such vast amounts of the population are left out of the picture.

The true nature of the electorate's error comes from the deceit in perpetuating an American dream which is built upon gain and power, rather than the fullest exercise of freedoms and privileges. The full availability of these is the truest and most noble American dream. Sadly, that is hardly the conservative conception, a conception which has again intoxicated the many with hopes of wealth and status, while cynically acknowledging that such benefits can only accrue to the few.

Yet, our system of government, if anything, is self-correcting. The opportunities of choice will come again and again and majorities will just as often reach the right conclusions as they will the wrong. Still, it is irresponsible to stand idly by and accept the fates dictated by the majority, even worse to assume them to be correct solely because the majority cannot do otherwise in a democratic process. In the case of the recent presidential contest, the wrong choice was made. One can only hope that in the future more high minded individuals will hold sway over the electorate and lead them to correct conclusions about what is best for America.

COMMENTARY

Allegiance as an issue for campaigning or doubted the patriotism of the democratic challenger is most implausible. That partisans of Bush were quite content to let things ride out as they did, however, is the most shameful form of manipulation and elitism.

No Bush supporter reading this, one assumes, cast their ballot in his favor because of his stance on the non-issues passed off by his campaign. They voted for him on the basis of what they knew to be the true issues of the campaign (this is not to imply that those are necessarily the ones the challenger tried to campaign on) and cast an intelligent, informed, albeit gravely mistaken ballot. The shame here lies in the fact that they were so smugly content to ride the tide of votes inspired by reasonings as far as one can get from their own.

Make no mistake, this is real elitism. To take advantage of the most base of emotions and

common denominator of capitalism and conservatism, hence the result which America is saddled with. Do not cry that the American people have spoken and this is the result. When less than half the eligible population votes, one can hardly make pronouncements on the preferences of the people as a whole. Surely, this raises no qualms with conservatives, who at this time in history are little more than the squeaky wheel which got greased.

However, the implications for this great nation are sad indeed. As more and more citizens become disenchanted with and disengaged from the electoral process, the nation as a whole becomes more and more susceptible to exactly the sort of mistake which was made on November 8th. Individuals refrain from voting because they feel quite strongly that their vote does not count (never true) and that regardless of whom they

LAW SCHOOL NEWS

SBA Meeting of the Minds

by David Stein

The highly unpopular faculty proposal to move first term exams after Christmas dominated the November 1st SBA meeting. The SBA also created a new Vice-President's position, learned about the Program Board's co-sponsorship program, and assessed developments on the Loan Forgiveness committee and the Legal Research and Writing committee.

The SBA first discussed a faculty proposal introduced by Professor Raven-Hansen to move first semester exams to the weeks after Christmas in a major restructuring of the NLC calendar. Members expressed unanimous opposition to such a change. If the faculty adopts the proposal, NLC students would have a week-long break during the fall semester, a shorter Christmas vacation, a reading week and two exam weeks in January, followed by a week-long post-exam vacation in late January. Consequently, the spring semester would not end until later in May.

Faculty proponents believe the change is necessary to avoid exam bunching and to alleviate the student practice of selecting courses based on the time spread between exams. However, some members noted that the proposed rescheduling primarily serves the professor's self-interest in not wanting to grade exams over Christmas vacation.

In opposition, SBA members noted that students also want an unburdened Christmas break. By placing exams after Christmas, many students would feel compelled to use that time for study. Also, lengthening the spring semester raised concerns about the impact on summer job opportunities and the effect on graduating 3L's who may be forced to miss the beginning of certain bar review courses.

The SBA addressed alternative proposals it hopes can lead to a compromise satisfactory to both students and faculty. First, a flexible exam schedule was proposed whereby students could go to designated rooms for two and three hour exams and take these exams at their convenience. The implementation of an Honor Code would enhance the viability of such a system. Second, several means of tinkering with the current schedule provide less drastic solutions. These include reducing the number of teaching days to the ABA minimum, conducting Saturday exams, and/or ending the semester closer to Christmas (currently, first term exams end December 16th).

To address the faculty's grading concerns, the SBA favored relaxing the current grading deadlines by two to four weeks so that professors may also enjoy a true Christmas vacation. The SBA hopes concerned students will voice their opinions and offer suggestions to the SBA reps, faculty, and administration to generate an informed school-wide debate. Although not definitely slated, Professor Raven-Hansen's proposal could come up for a vote at the next faculty meeting.

The SBA amended its Constitution to make the Vice-President for Minority Affairs a permanent position on the President's

Council. The SBA President shall select a candidate for the position. If all three minority groups oppose the choice, each shall propose an alternate candidate who will be elected by a simple majority of the SBA Board. An abbreviated debate centered on the status of the new position given its unique selection and removal provisions. By creating the position, the SBA envisions a closer working relationship with the minority groups.

GWUSA Program Board member Mary Conneely addressed the SBA regarding co-sponsorship of NLC group programs. The Program Board helps to fund events organized by student groups. The SBA urges all NLC groups to utilize the resources offered by the Board.

Conneely noted the three guidelines required to receive funding; all events must be open to the entire GW community, take place on GW property, and be submitted for funding approval four weeks prior to the event. To apply for funding, student groups must register with the Office of Campus Life at the Marvin Center. For more information, contact the Program Board in Room 424, Marvin Center or call x-47313.

Gabrielle Roth reported on developments within the student-faculty committee exploring problems with the first-year Legal Writing courses. All 2L's and 3L's have been asked to complete a survey regarding their opinions about the program. The committee intends to use the survey to fashion proposals to be put before the faculty by February. Currently, two general proposals exist. One seeks to attract additional, higher-caliber teaching fellows. A second envisions abolition of the teaching-fellow positions and replacing them with adjunct faculty supplemented by two 3L

student liaisons per class. Roth cautioned that any changes to the program would occur gradually given budget constraints and the two-year guarantees teaching-fellows enjoy.

The SBA provided Loan Forgiveness Committee rep Becky Epstein with a substantial list of arguments in favor of such a program to encourage students to enter public interest law. Loan forgiveness assists students who wish to work for small public interest firms and the government as well as those lucky enough to get into a large organization.

The program helps students of lesser means pursue public interest jobs, increasing competition and providing flexibility for public interest job seekers. IL rep Jonathan Wilson noted that endowing positions at specific organizations tends to give "approval" to the political agendas of those groups.

Finally, the NLC needs a new GWUSA Senator beginning in the spring term. The SBA hopes to have another strong law school voice on GWUSA along with Delaine Swenson. The position is important to ensure adequate representation of law students among the many student interests at GW. Those interested please contact the SBA for details.

Commencement Update

by Sally Weinbrom

Citing his commitment to a more unified campus, G W University President Stephen Trachtenberg last week failed to approve Dean Friedenthal's initial request to move the 1989 graduation ceremonies from the Smith Center to Constitution Hall. Dean Friedenthal had made the request on behalf of the SBA Commencement Committee.

President Trachtenberg stated that he would like to keep campus events within the parameters of the GW campus. He expressed sympathy for student complaints that the Smith Center did not offer as dignified a backdrop for the festivities as Constitution Hall. He suggested, however, that he would be amenable to switching the ceremony to another on-campus site. Unfortunately, the Commencement Committee discovered this past summer that the Smith Center is the only campus building that can seat upwards of 3,000 people, the projected attendance of the 1989 Commencement if each student is allowed to bring ten guests. According to Dean Friedenthal, President Trachtenberg said that he would like to see an all-university graduation, ending the historic division between the undergraduate/graduate and law and medical school ceremonies. Accordingly, allowing the law school to graduate off-campus would be extremely divisive, in

the President's view.

In keeping with his emphasis of the GW campus, President Trachtenberg has approved the law student's use of the third floor of the Marvin Center for the reception after the graduation. Although Dean Friedenthal considered staging an outdoor reception, the Dean felt that the drawbacks to such an event, including the costs of renting tents, and the inability for the Marriott Corporation to provide champagne outside, (because of D.C. Regulations) outweighed the benefits.

President Trachtenberg's approval of the use of all third floor space of the Marvin Center, including the University Club and the Third Floor Balcony, will allow parents and guests to have at least a partially outdoor reception. In addition, the reception is expected to be more unified than last year when two floors were used for the same purpose but the balcony was unavailable.

Dean Friedenthal reiterated his pledge of \$9,000, the same amount provided by the Dean last year, to the Commencement Committee for the Rayburn Building reception the evening before graduation. If the reception costs more, the Commencement Committee anticipates raising the difference.

The Committee is in the process of drafting a letter to President Trachtenberg asking him to reconsider his decision.

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POINT COUNTERPOINT: THE STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE

The Right Idea

by Delaine R. Swenson

Like most law students, my first reaction to the idea of a "student fee" was to automatically say "no." It seems natural enough to rebel against the idea of a Student Association (SA) fee, particularly when it appears that "those undergraduates" are up to their same old tricks again. But before you "just say no" to the student fee, perhaps you should know that the fee is advanced and endorsed by the entire student Senate, including its graduate members. Included in that number are two Law School Senators, of which I am one. If upper class moot court competition has taught me anything, it has taught me to look at both sides of an issue and to see the relative merits of both.

In typical lawyerly fashion let me set out the advantages of the student fee as I see them as your Senator. The first of these is the autonomy of the student government. Under the present system, all student funds are granted directly by the University as if we were just another department. What this means is that we are completely at the mercy of the administration as to whether we receive any funds at all, let alone the amount. Our student representatives are completely within the control of

the University.

Under the student fee proposal, all money charged would be the exclusive property of the SA, and would not be subject to University control. Autonomy in student government is important, but we can't have it without financial independence.

A second advantage to the adoption of this system will be the ability of the student accounts to "roll over" into the next fiscal year. Currently, any money not spent by the SA, or any student organization, disappears into the general University fund, never to be seen by students again. This usually leads to a rush of last minute spending that largely benefits no one. The student fee proposal would allow "roll over" for all student organizations as well as the SA as a whole.

A third, and rather obvious advantage to the creation of the student fee is the increase in available funds to the students. The SA currently funds approximately 80 organizations, student activities and programs, and student government expenses with \$252,000 a year. Those of you with student government backgrounds know that this amount is much too small for that task. The proposal of \$16 per semester for full-time

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The Wrong Time

by Sally Weinbrom

If Bill 13-3 passes, GW Law Students will be asked to pay just a little more on their tuition bills next year to subsidize the George Washington University Student Association. Though not in essence a large increase, the student activity fee in form and in concept is disconcerting to students who already have accrued sufficient personal debt to make the national deficit look like a slightly overdrawn checking account. Without more assurances on how the fee will work and how it will be monitored, the fee is unacceptable at this time.

As contemplated by GWUSA, the student fee will appear on the tuition bills of every full-time student in the amount of \$16 per semester and every part-time student in the amount of \$8.00 per semester commencing fall term 1989. The only constrictions upon the fee that I know of are contained in the language of Bill 13-3.

The Bill provides: (1) that "the Student Association shall be empowered to raise funds for its own use." (2) that "a student association endowment shall be established" "for capital improvements" "with the approval of 3/4 of the Senate." and (3) "The Student Association is directed . . . to lobby for the appropriation of monies previously allocated to the Student Association to other areas of immediate student concern."

As a student of language, the broad, vague terms comprising the bill are chilling. There are no apparent limits upon how the money will be used. Presumably, GWUSA will spend fees collected "for its own use," in a fashion similar to the past according the GWUSA constitution. But basing legislation on past practice or even a constitution, where the actual application of the legislation is unknown to the vast majority of those affected by the law, is a dangerous concept.

It is GWUSA's past practices and Constitution which have kept the GWUSA Senate, the major policy making arm of the student government, peopled by a preponderance of undergraduates. Undergraduates who make up less than 50 percent of the student body, comprise 60 percent of the Senate.

It is past practice which has allowed the medical school to receive a higher budgetary allocation than the law school despite the fact that the law school is substantially larger.

And it is past practice for law school members NOT to sit on the most potent committees of GWUSA or hold elected office (other than the law school senate seat) within the GWUSA organization.

I do not want to appear to engage in Med School or undergraduate bashing. The need for more funds for everybody is apparent. Clearly, a student body numbering close to 10,000 students needs more than \$252,000 to operate. Just as clearly, that budget must be

removed from the whims of the University administration.

Nonetheless, the proposed fee is not the way to do it.

First, this is but another in a series of "additional expenses" that appear on our tuition bills. Students are asked to pay \$100 per semester for the Marvin Center, a mysterious fee which has become a catch 22. We must pay the fee for the privilege of the Marvin Center. Thus, for example, the reception following Commencement may not be held outside because we have paid for the privilege of the Marvin Center and therefore we must use it.

In addition, day law students pay \$2,000 more per year in tuition due to the capital improvements made at the school several years ago. With University finances in a murky state, it is unclear that all the extra money we pay goes to the law school as it should.

Students who are late in paying their bills due to tardy loan shipments or merely to a paucity of cash at the beginning of the semester, can expect to pay up to \$100 per semester in late fees. Thus, not only does "just another \$16.00" smell of "just another \$20.00" and "just another \$25.00" in the near future, it is one more debit to our account.

Again, it would be worth it if law students saw visible signs of their money being use for their benefit. Naturally it would be selfish to ask that all money contributed by the law school to the University stay strictly within the law school walls. We are, after all, members of the same GW community as the undergraduates, med students and other graduate students.

Notwithstanding our community membership, the average law student feels abandoned by the University in general and GWUSA in particular. To its credit, GWUSA under Raffi Terzian, current President and our law school representatives DeLaine Swenson and Ari Brose, has made more of an effort this year than ever before to reach out to the law school. But there is the sinking suspicion that all this friendliness stems from GWUSA's desiring our money, not our participation.

It is not merely the fact that we are not proportionally funded through the GWUSA budgeting process. In fairness, the law school has other resources it can rely upon. GWUSA and many of the groups it subsidizes lack such a luxury.

It is on more fundamental issues where GWUSA fails the law school needs. For example, GWUSA has made little effort to see that GW institutes graduate housing. I find it highly unusual that in the midst of one of the most expensive cities in the world, there is not an inch of subsidized housing for graduate students. Private housing in Foggy Bottom is exorbitant, yet the University which has stated its intention to convert two newly acquired buildings into dormitories has made no sound

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TOWN MEETING on the PROPOSED STUDENT FEE

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LAW SCHOOL NEWS

On Honor Codes and Class Funds

by Ari Brose

If you happen to pick up a *Hatchet* and actually read it these days, you are bound to find at least one or two articles that are more confusing than informative. A few recent articles are of interest to law students and deserve to be given some real journalistic treatment.

The lead article in the Nov. 7th issue of *The Hatchet* referred to an Honor Code that was being explored by a University committee. Unfortunately, the writer of the article waited until the last minute to do his research and couldn't reach those who had something substantive to say about the project. Therefore, the writer never found out that the Law School had been working on an Honor Code, nor did the writer have the opportunity to talk to someone who knew something about it. A Letter to the Editor of *The Hatchet* will remedy that situation. For the information of those in the Law School, the Honor Code is on its way to a committee that will review it before its presentation to the Faculty.

A second article in that Nov. 7th issue reported on the formation of a Class Fund by the Student Association. The real facts: The Class Fund is the brainchild of Randy Kaye, a 1988 graduate of the Medical School and 1984 graduate of Columbian College. Last winter, Randy, also

a Med School senator, pulled together a committee of undergrads and graduate students to try and formulate a plan that would begin a pattern of giving by recent graduates of the University.

That initial effort has been taken up by the Student Association under Raffi Terzian in the form of a committee headed by undergraduate Sue Middleton. The current proposal is that graduating students will be asked to join a pyramid plan of giving: 10 dollars one year, 15 dollars the next year, and 20 dollars the next. If a substantial number of students participate in the plan, a significant amount of money will be raised.

The money raised would go into one of three funds: Med School, Law School, or a general University fund. It was expressed in those original meetings that, on the whole, medical and law students would be adverse to putting money into a fund that would result in books for Gelman Library, or chairs in the Academic Center, or some other project with which they had no identification.

Class Funds are non-existent on the University campus today. The creation of the Funds would serve at least two purposes: to give graduating students a feeling that they left some kind of legacy on campus (the money in the fund goes toward some specific project), and to start the

by Rachel J. Rothstein

For all of you who wondered who those people are wandering around the back hall of the third floor of the NLC, let me satisfy your curiosity and explain how you can become part of this crowd.

The "crowd" is part of *The George Washington Journal of International Law & Economics (Journal)*. The *Journal* will hold its annual writing competition during Spring Break. While grades are still the main factor in the selection process (accounting for 60% of the overall rating), the writing competition, held in conjunction with the *Law Review*, comprises the other 40% of the score. The composite score determines which students

Journal Primer

will be invited to join *The Journal* staff. In addition, *The Journal* also accepts a diversity statement allowing students to demonstrate how their unique qualifications would prove to be a valuable asset to *The Journal*.

Students participating on *The Journal* are required to write a "note," (a lengthy dissertation in a question of private international law), and to keep office hours during each week. In return, *Journal* members receive four pass/fail academic credits and satisfy their writing requirement.

The Journal publishes articles and notes in the areas of private international law. *The Journal* has a world-wide subscription base and is received by scholars and practitioners from Beijing to Tasmania.

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habit of giving money to the University. Elected class officers are in charge of coordinating the use of the funds.

This University will only get better with more money--money begets money, and it is impressive to donors to see that the graduates of an institution care enough about their school to give

money to it. As much as you may hate Law School now, the value of your education begins the moment you leave the George Washington University campus. If George Washington goes down the tubes, so will the value of your education. Think about it. Think about it again when you are asked to give.

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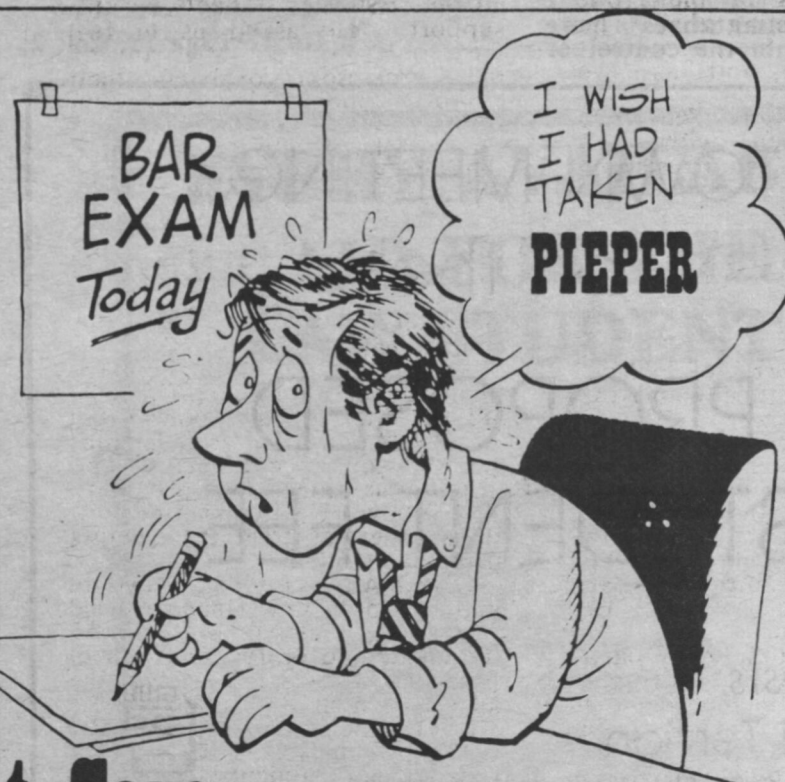
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Shame on Schechter

by Brian Chase

In 1810, Tecumseh, the great chief of the Shawnee Indians, told President James Madison that "The Great Spirit above has appointed this place for us, and here we will remain." Little did Tecumseh know that those cerebral words would one day echo within the walls of room LL101.

On November 1, at 4:15, Justice Lewis Powell gave a fascinating speech to about 300 students at the law school. Roughly 1 hour prior to that speech, the NLC experienced a scandalous act that I have termed, "Schechter-gate". At that time, Professor Schechter covertly switched his 3:00 torts class to room LL101 so that his 95 students would be able to get priority seating for the Powell lecture. The rest of us had to wait outside the room until 4:00, only to discover that we were confined to very limited seating and that most of us faced the prospect of standing body to body in the aisles -- a scenario only cattle could love.

With all due respect, Professor Schechter is touted by the university as an expert in unfair trade practices, and he clearly demonstrated that expertise by unfairly practicing his trade prior to the Powell lecture. Is Schechter the Great Spirit that Tecumseh referred to? Well, at least for his students, I must say that he is. I could just hear one of those students in the front row proudly boasting that "The Great Schechter has appointed this place for us, and here we will remain."

Perhaps Professor Schechter has been stricken with Bob Ueker's disease -- an irresistible

urge to sit in the front row. It is ironic that this act should take place during a speech by Justice Powell. In his monumental opinion in *Regents of the University of California v. Bakke*, Powell warned of the dangers of giving one class of people preferential treatment over another. Could he have been referring to Schechter's class?

I realize that there will be many students who feel less disturbed by this occurrence than I. Most of them, however, are in Professor Schechter's class. Personally, I feel like the old arthritic woman in *Garrett v. Dailey*. In that case, the trial judge found "that the arthritic woman had begun the slow process of being seated when the defendant quickly removed the chair and seated himself upon it, and that he knew, with substantial certainty, at that time that she would attempt to sit in the

place the chair had been". Garrett was awarded \$11,000.

Like Garrett, I feel that a chair was pulled out from under me. I went to hear a speech about justice and found myself confronted with an injustice. Unlike Garrett, however, I seek nothing more than an apology. And I hope that upon further reflection, Professor Schechter has realized that perhaps he was a little overzealous.

I can remember on orientation day, Professor Schechter offered all the first year students his full support. He asked us to feel free to let him know if any of our professors overstep their authority and infringe upon our rights. Well, if you're reading this article, Professor Schechter, I'm letting you know.

GW Crime Watch

by Steve Herm

Nine crimes occurred on campus between Nov. 1st and 9th, according to University Security. The most serious incident, a robbery, occurred on Nov. 1, at approximately 1 a.m. on 21st St. near the Marvin Center. The victim was unharmed. University personnel were nearby and able to apprehend the suspect, Adrian Johnson, who was later booked by Metropolitan Police. The suspect was not affiliated with the University.

Late night and early morning are the times when most robberies occur, according to Curtis Goode, Director of GW Safety & Security. "Most of these incidents occur when the bars start to close down," he said. With darkness falling earlier in the evening and the holidays approaching, Goode

expects the incidence of crime to rise.

Mr. Goode reminds students, faculty, and staff members that University Security offers 24 hour-a-day escort service. Students desiring an escort--to the subway late at night, for example--need only call 4-611 (on campus). A radio-equipped security officer or student volunteer will be immediately dispatched.

Other incidents reported since Nov. 1 include eight thefts of unattended property. Security also reported that a motorcycle was stolen from the rear of Madison Hall, and a counterfeit \$20 bill was passed at Market Square in the Marvin Center.

NLC telephone equipment valued at approximately \$500 was stolen from the secretaries' area on the fifth floor of the Burns Law Library on October 24.

Potty Parity Part VI

by Sally Weinbrom

According to Wayne Arden, women around the law school will have him to thank when they next use the new feature in NLC restrooms. The GW Physical Plant Department will shortly be installing tampon and sanitary napkin dispensers in the third floor ladies room in the Burns Law Library (near the Law Review Suite).

The SBA will be responsible for keeping the machines stocked and maintained. In addition, the SBA expects a profit on sales. Each

tampon and sanitary napkin will sell for \$0.25.

Mr. Arden expressed appreciation that after much bureaucratic shuffle, the machines will finally arrive. "You can thank Ruth Martinez and Carol Kornas for the machines," said Arden. "They expressed dissatisfaction about the lack of such machines when we were first years, so I made it part of my campaign platform last year."

Yes, NLC women. No more must you fear the ultimate embarrassment. Just go to the third floor.

Financial Aid and Night Students

by Roberta Ufford

There are two ways of looking at the part-time student and the financial aid system.

On the one hand, many see part-time students as having an advantage over full-time day students because they pay for their education as they go along, at least in part. Some employers pay the student's tuition in part or in full. The result is less debt on graduation.

On the other hand, many part-time student feel that they are at a disadvantage in the financial aid system. To them, it seems that the system is based on the concept that a student has no need for anything more than a conservative living allowance and tuition. For someone who has worked to enjoy a higher standard a lesser standard is a difficult adjustment. Students with spouses and children find that it is difficult to divert all family resources to tuition.

One evening student puts the problem this way: "Sure, I can pay all of my educational and living expenses from my income--but which grate do they want me to live on?"

The financial aid system deals differently with the evening students than with the full-time day student. Overall, less aid is available even though the evening student pays as much or more over four years for a law degree. Most students need some type of

financial assistance to pay educational costs.

At the NLC, as throughout the higher education system, financial aid for law students comes from two sources, grants/scholarships and various government and private guaranteed loan programs. The following will examine how these programs treat the evening part-time student.

GAPSFAS -- The key to understanding how financial need works is to understand GAPSFAS (Graduate and Professional School Financial Aid Service) and the analysis which it provides to the NLC Financial Aid Office. The GAPSFAS analysis is different for independent students (those no longer financially dependent on parents) and students with dependents than it is for the dependent student. As most part-time students are independent, this distinction is important to consideration of eligibility for financial aid.

GAPSFAS uses methods established by congressional legislation to analyze the day students provide about income, assets and debt. Ultimately, analysis results in a dollar amount called "estimated family contribution." For the independent student, this figure is the amount the student (and spouse) is supposed to be able to contribute to all educational costs--tuition fees, and living expenses. The Financial Aid

Office compares this number to the total estimated yearly cost for tuition and living expenses for a student at the NLC -- the difference between the two is the amount of need-based aid for which the student is eligible. This number is further adjusted if the student is receiving any financial aid from another source, employers or the Veteran's Administration for example.

GAPSFAS calculation methods change yearly, says Mrs. Nancy LaMotta, NLC Financial Aid Counselor. A few years ago, the formulas were simpler so it was possible to say a student could receive no need-based aid if income was above a certain level.

Now however, rules change annually and may favor one group or another in any given year. In the 1987-88 school year, need was calculated similarly for both

married and single students; it seemed then that married students had a relatively harder time qualifying for aid. It changed for the current academic year so that married students actually have an easier time getting aid. The amount of a student's assets will also make a big difference in how much aid is available for that student. "The system varies widely depending on individual circumstances, so I advise all students to at least complete the GAPSFAS and apply," Mrs. LaMotta says.

As for next year's rules, will they be the same?

"I can't guess what will be available next year and won't know until late April or May," LaMotta added.

When GAPSFAS looks at an independent student, it calculates the family contribution amount

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1L Reps on Parade

by Rob Hirsh

In this strategic and exciting election year, the *Advocate* was first to reveal the results of some tightly contested races. Namely, the winners in the balloting for 1L Student Bar Association representative, Christine Costa, Julie Lee, Bob McCartin, Susanne Meadows, and Jonathan Wilson emerged victorious to represent their respective sections in that august body. What with the awesome responsibilities they have chosen to assume, and the difficult challenges which face the SBA this term, *The Advocate* felt incumbent as a news source to present these new representatives to the student body as a whole. What follows is the result of our candid interviews with these new additions to the SBA fold.

Section 14 brought to NLC-wide note Christine Costa, who prevailed over six opponents to win her position. Hailing from Youngstown, OH, Christine came to Washington for the same reasons which brought so many of us here. The District is definitely perceived by most as a center of legal activity for the nation. Her personal inquiries and conversations led her to choose the NLC based on the reputation it carried with those whom she consulted. She was motivated to run for her position, she says, because she has always

been "used to being an officious intermeddler". That appeared to be good enough for section 14, and we look forward to Christine's future intermeddling. To her constituents she simply says, "I pay for my donuts."

Julie Lee of Orlando, FL was also persuaded by the allure of the NLC's reputation. She triumphed in a five-way contest in section 12. Julie has a definite agenda of issues to address in her new role including the installation of a free public phone in one of the lounges and the increase of the NLC's computer facilities. A long term goal she advocates is the eventual creation of a Saga-like concession in the law school building for the convenience of students and faculty alike. Julie was so elated by this reporter's inquiries that she has been inspired to work for *The Advocate* in the future.

Bricktown, NJ brought us Bob McCartin, who had the decency and the honesty to admit that a primary motivation in his choice for the NLC was that this was the best law school he could get into. Such candor will serve him well in any future political ambitions. A man who loves to make coffee, Bob felt himself well qualified for the SBA post representing section 11. He approaches his SBA role realistically and is confident of a successful term in office. He says unabashedly that his

grandmother always used to tell him, just as the Senator from Indiana's grandmother did, that he could be anything he wanted to be. Certainly, this is the kind of leadership that the SBA so sorely needs.

Night section 20 brought to the foray of NLC politics Susanne Meadows. This native of Dallas, TX came to Washington in order to broaden her horizons after twelve years of work for the Veteran's Administration. She was greatly impressed by the quality of the NLC's night program and as well wished to have as fellow students individuals more mature and experienced in the "working world." Her interest in government was a prime motivating factor in forsaking Dallas for the environs of our nation's capital. Her SBA aspirations reflected the consensus of all the first year reps which is to be a part of the school and have the opportunity to meet people and get out from the rigors of work, class, and study. She proudly noted that her first accomplishment as an SBA rep was to secure the head of George Washington for our upcoming Homecoming festivities. No doubt George's head is the first in a long line of SBA achievements for the dedicated Susanne.

Last, but hardly least, is Jonathan Wilson of Quakerstown, PA. First in his family to attend college, Jon's approach is

understandably pragmatic. Merit scholarships and financial aid from the NLC allowed Jon to come here and pursue his interests in corporate and international law. He ran for section 13's SBA slot due to his concern over NLC tuition rates and the financial policies of the university on the whole. Jon showed displeasure when he noted that he sees little student control over funds at the NLC. His political commentaries are sage. Dan Quayle he found akin to JFK, save for intelligence and charisma. Lloyd Bentsen reminded Jon of Mr. Whipple from the toilet tissue ads of legend and lore.

This brief overview of the new blood on SBA certainly should put to rest any fears that the effectiveness of the SBA is on the wane. These capable leaders will without doubt provide the kind of strength and foresight so needed at this time of challenge and change. Let us wish them well as they boldly go forth and try to make some sense out of that netherworld which is the Student Bar Association.

Night Aid (Cont'd)

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based on income reported in the previous tax year plus assets. A percentage of income and assets is estimated to be available to pay educational costs. For single students, this amount is 70 percent to 90 percent of income and 35 percent of assets.

Independents with dependents are expected to contribute 22 percent to 47 percent of an adjusted income plus asset figures.

GAPSFAS considers nearly all student assets to be available to pay tuition and other school costs. For example, if the student has an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), the GAPSFAS analysis expects the student to liquidate the IRA and use the funds. A student who owns a home may not be expected to sell, but GAPSFAS does expect the student will borrow against any available equity to contribute to educational costs.

In the favor of the independent and older student, on the other hand, is an asset protection allowance which insulates a portion of assets from consideration as available for use in educational costs.

Calculated after the student reaches age 26, the amount of the allowance varies based on age and marital status. For example, for a single student, age 26, this allowance is \$1600; a married student, age 30, has an asset protection allowance of \$10,400.

Grants and Scholarships

With the exception of the Jacob Burns Merit Scholarships, evening students are not eligible for any scholarship or grant aid from the university. The Jacob

Burns Merit Scholarship awards tuition grants to entering first year students based on academic criteria. One Evening Program student received an award this year. Although there are a number of other scholarship programs based both on academic excellence and financial need, no evening program students may apply. The reason for this, given by Mrs. Audrey Free, Special Assistant to the Dean, is that funds are limited and the money reaches the more needy students when used in the full-time day program.

A policy of no assistance to the evening student is not unusual, at least among local area law schools. A telephone poll of George Mason University, Georgetown University and American University revealed that none of those offers any need-based grants or scholarships to part-time students. Further, only one, American University, awards scholarships based on academic excellence to evening students.

Loans

Part-time students may apply for most loan programs, both government guaranteed and private guaranteed. The most favorable of these programs is the Stafford Loan, formerly the Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL), which is based on financial need. Least favorable are the many private lender programs which are based only on credit rating and perceived ability to repay.

Stafford eligibility is based on the GAPSFAS. Up to \$7500 may be available to the student at rates between 7 percent and 9 percent. The most important advantage of this loan is that interest payments are made by the government while the student attends school and during the grace period of six to nine months after the student stops

attending.

Another government guaranteed loan program available to evening students is the Supplemental Loans for Students (SLS). These loans are made up to \$4,000 per year at a variable interest rate which can be no more than 12 percent. Unlike the Stafford Loan, this loan is not need-based and there is rarely a requirement for credit worthiness as with a private loan program. Evening students must begin making payments on this loan as soon as they receive the first check and payments increase every year that the loan is taken. For example, a student will pay at least \$50 per month in the first year, the student needs to take another \$4,000 loan, payments will increase to about \$100 per month. By the fourth year, a student who must use this loan program every year will pay about \$200 per month for the loans.

Private loan programs are numerous. Rates are set by adding 2 to 3 points to a bank's prime rate or to the 90 day treasury bill rate. Eligibility is based on student's credit history or ability to repay from personal assets or the assets of a co-signor. Any mark on the student's credit history can seriously effect student eligibility. These loans can be extremely expensive because of lump sum fees charged at loan initiation of up to 11 percent and because, like SLS, part-time students must make interest payments while attending school. While these loans are not need-based, the total amount of private loans may not be more than total education costs minus any other financial aid awarded.

In sum, there is less financial aid available to the part-time evening student. With the exception of the Jacob Burns

Fellowship, no awards for academic excellence are given to evening students.

Further, apart from the issue of whether or not there is a need, evening part-time students are simply not eligible to apply for need-based grants or scholarships. Finally, while evening students may apply for loans on the same basis as day students, the need established by GAPSFAS, all loans except the Stafford Loan require the evening student to make loan payments while attending school. Whether or not this is fair depends on perspective: whether you are working full-time, going to class every night and trying to make ends meet or are a proverbial "starving student trying to make ends meet in the day program."

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Levine, McCoog To Represent NLC at ATLA Competition

by Jeffrey M. Levine

On Saturday, November 12, 1988, the litigation team of Jeffrey Levine and Arlene McCoog won the 1988 NLC Student Trial Lawyers Association Trial Competition, held at the U.S. District Courthouse, here in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Levine and Ms. McCoog will now represent George Washington University against student litigators from such schools as New York University, Fordham, George Mason, American, and Catholic in the 1989 Association of Trial Lawyers of America National Student Trial Advocacy Competition. The ATLA Regional Competition will take place in Washington, D.C. in early March 1989. If Mr. Levine and Ms. McCoog win that competition, they will then proceed into the April 1989 final round, also held in Washington, D.C.

In addition, Mr. Levine and Ms. McCoog will now be asked to join the Moot Court Board as decided by the Executive Board of that organization.

The 1988 National Law Center Competition consisted of two rounds, both single elimination. In the first round, Mr. Levine and Ms. McCoog represented the plaintiff in a hypothetical personal injury/civil litigation case. Their opponents were Bill Harrington and Greg Smith. The case was very hard fought and the scoring of the teams, done by practicing attorneys who had volunteered their time to judge, was extremely close. After all the scoring sheets had been tallied, Mr. Levine and Ms. McCoog were declared the victors.

At the same time in another courtroom, Ellis Peetluk and Andy Alpert were locked in litigation with Vito Pinto and

Heidi Zimmerman. Mr. Pinto and Ms. Zimmerman, the defendant's counsel, were declared the winners in that trial, based upon the scoring done by the judges.

In the second round, Mr. Levine and Ms. McCoog remained the plaintiff's counsel, while Mr. Pinto and Ms. Zimmerman, represented the defendant once more. Both teams stated that this round went much better, as minor problems, such as making motions at the right time, were ironed out after round one. Once again, the scoring was very close, and the verdict was returned showing the plaintiff's team had prevailed.

Mr. Levine and Ms. McCoog will now spend part of their Christmas vacation and January 1989 preparing a trial brief in the area of product liability, which is the topic for the ATLA Competition next year.

The author would like to thank many people who were involved in the competition this year. First of all, Doug Lutz and Karen Van Riper are to be complemented for their excellent performance as witnesses. All judges were extremely impressed with Mr. Lutz as the plaintiff, Herbert Millman, and with the expert witness, Officer Jane Wright, played by Ms. Van Riper. As a matter of fact, Ms. Van Riper portrayed two witnesses in the competition, due to an illness by one of the participants.

Also receiving thanks is Ellis Peetluk and Alissa Aaronson, who with the author's help, coordinated the recruitment of attorneys to act as judges, secured courtrooms in the District Courthouse, and planned the reception which followed the competition in the Marvin Center. All student advocates did a fine job, and their participation is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations Har and Jeff

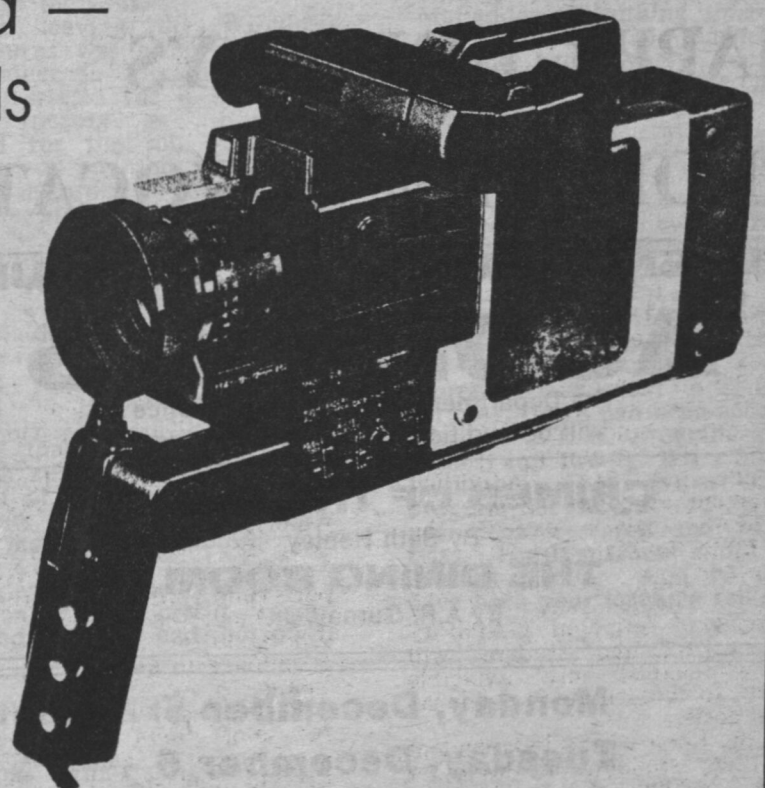
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[Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of stories profiling students who do something special with their free time. Next semester, the Advocate will also spotlight student entrepreneurs and law students as coaches.]

by Christine McMahon

Mrs. J. slowly came into the waiting room on 2-East and sunk in the seat next to her sister and brother-in-law. She pushed her graying, permed hair out of her face and looked at her sister with empty eyes. "We are going to disconnect his feeding tube tomorrow" she said faintly. Her sister reached over and took her hand. Then Mrs. J. fixed her stare on me. I was leaning against the wall in the waiting room, next to her brother-in-law. "Would you please look in on my husband before you leave? I think I need to get some rest before tomorrow." I said I would, and then I watched, helplessly, as the sad little entourage left the waiting room and stepped into the huge gray elevators. After a few silent moments alone, I went into Mr. J.'s hospital room where he lay unconscious with the television set on. I stroked his hand, counting the tubes that went in and out of his body. I am a volunteer at the George Washington University Hospital.

In the beginning of this semester I realized that as a

third-year, I did indeed have some free time. Since I did not feel the need to work part-time, I tried to think of things to do. As a first-year, my free seconds were spent reading classic American novels. Second year I had devoted a lot of time to the Moot Court Board and other law school-related activities. But this year I had vowed not to spend all of my time at school. On a lark, I stopped into the George Washington University Hospital on my way home one day and asked about volunteering. I was immediately whisked into the Executive Offices, and told that while GWU did not currently have a volunteer program, it was starting a pilot program. I was interviewed by several different staffers before being asked to be one of the pilot volunteers. We were initiated the next day in a four-hour program with discussions headed by hospital administrators, nursing staff, physicians, and psychologists. At the end of the program, I was told to come in the next week and to report to the Oncology Department, the cancer ward.

I have been going to 2-East weekly for several hours for the past seven weeks. At first I was going twice weekly, but this was too intense. The first week I went on Friday, and could not understand why I felt depressed the entire weekend. Now, I make sure to go during the week. It has been a rewarding experience, but rewards are hard-

fought and often painful. I feel a close bond with the patients, and while my time is mainly spent just listening and talking with them, I have been learning a lot about medicine as well. I would like to introduce you to some of the patients, but in the interest of confidentiality, I am not using their real names.

Rose is an eighty-year old woman who has lived in Washington, D.C. her entire life. She has been in the hospital for the past six months and spends most of her time sleeping or laying back in her single bed staring at the ceiling. But when she is alert, she is a joy. Rose never lets her worn Bible out of her hands. She swears to me that "everything you need in this Book. You learn about everything in here. You better believe it, honey. Uh-huh, you better believe it."

Ben is a former military man who spent the past several years in a Virginia think tank. He is clearly brilliant, but he is fading very quickly. He loves to tell me about the home he was in the process of remodeling on Logan Circle. Sometimes he wonders if it will be okay since he is spending so much time on 2 East. I called a friend of his to ask that he stop by Ben's home to check in on it. Ben really appreciated this.

Mrs. L. only comes into the unit once a month for overnight visits to get her chemotherapy. Her main concern is that her

hair is falling out from the chemical injections. I went to a local store and asked one of the clerks to show me how to tie head scarves, a la Grace Kelly. Mrs. L. and I experimented with several looks, but finally, she decided to buy a wig. It looks natural, and more importantly, it makes this sweet grandmother feel pretty again.

Jane is only thirty-two years old. She is an extraordinarily beautiful D.C. attorney. She said she put off children and marriage (emphasizing that order) so that she could get her career off the ground. Two weeks ago she thought she had a chest cold because of her lingering cough. She went in for an x-ray and has not left the hospital. Jane has many friends, and goes through manic and depressed stages, sometime switching between the two several times in one day. "Spoil me, Christine, spoil me," she pleads as I dash out to get her extra butter, or any of a number of magazines she likes to read.

David is also young. He is an AIDS patient. His mother sits with him all day while he receives his monthly chemotherapy. His hometown is next to mine, and his mother loves to tell me about the glory days of southwestern Pennsylvania, when hunters roamed the autumn-colored hills and then went home to work to work in the steel

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Powell (Cont'd)

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years of the Enrichment Series. All three Justices felt that there was too little interaction between the different Justices on any decision. Powell added, however, that Justices are always allowed to politic or talk among themselves if they desire.

The NLC's self-appointed voice of religious controversy could not resist asking Powell about the influence of religion on Court decisions and Justice selection. Although Powell seemed somewhat offended at the thought that religion would be a motivating factor for either, he added that Justice Brennan, a Catholic, was lively and wanted to remain on the Court for a while yet.

Finally, a student wanted to know if Powell ever lacked for

any idea of how he wanted to vote on a particular case and thus was forced to vote arbitrarily. Powell responded that he often was not sure how to vote before hearing argument and then told another story to end the lecture on a humorous note.

Unfortunately, Powell was able to remain at the NLC for the reception in his honor that followed his speech only briefly.

Nonetheless, many students in attendance viewed Powell as a grandfatherly soul, which made him immediately more likable and human to many. At the reception, Powell's "Southern Gentleman" qualities were directly observed by at least one first year female who Powell referred to as "attractive."

Fugitive (Cont'd)

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lent and misleading information" on his admissions application, relating to the circumstances surrounding his dismissal from Iowa Law.) In any case, he obtained a job at the Wisconsin State Bar Association in Madison, under his new identity. Colleagues described his work as "adequate", though certain situations arose which caused even the most accepting co-workers to become suspicious. For example, Burns' resume, which contained McFadden's biographical information, also stated that he was a member of the Order of the Coif at Harvard. Upon investigation, one of Burns' colleagues at the Wisconsin Bar realized that Harvard has no Order of the Coif.

After leaving the Wisconsin Bar, Burns was hired by a sole practitioner in Sacramento, who had advertised for a law clerk. Burns (posing as McFadden) applied for the job, explaining that he was pursuing his master's degree in order to teach. The sole practitioner thought that it was a "wonderful opportunity to take advantage of," and hired him. He claims that Burns' insight was incredible, and his legal analysis "very solid".

However, Burns' research and writing skills were sometimes lacking in expertise. Burns apparently explained this by stating that his unique legal research and writing style was a product of "the way they make you write for law review." (Law review members take note!)

Last year, the real Eric J. McFadden was denied credit for a car loan. His credit record indicated that he had borrowed

far past his limit. An incredulous McFadden checked the credit report, and found approximately twenty-five accounts that were not his. But they were opened using his social security number and birth date. McFadden checked further, and the name William C. Burns surfaced.

Burns is, by all accounts, a very brilliant man. But he made a stupid mistake that signalled his demise. When he decided to change his identity, he didn't merely open new accounts to reflect his new identity. He changed the name on an old account of his to reflect his "new" name. Then, for some reason, the name was changed back to "William C. Burns." Mr. McFadden's sleuthing uncovered this fact, and he remembered that he had vaguely known a William C. Burns when he clerked at Jones, Day.

And, as they say, the walls came tumbling down for William C. Burns.

Mr. Burns was arrested, and charged with credit card fraud. But that's not the end of the story. It seems that Mr. Burns was close to realizing his apparent dream of obtaining a law degree. A few weeks before he was carted off by a U.S. Secret Service agent in September, Mr. Burns had been accepted into the L.L.M. program at an "almost top twenty" law school in Washington, D.C. As part of that program, he would teach a first year legal research and writing class. The law school is our own beloved N.L.C. And he could have been your teaching fellow.

Computers (Cont'd)

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law books while typing at a word processor," Dean Friedenthal said. Right now, he is favoring a library location.

Another point which must be settled is how the computers will be set up. For example, it has been suggested that a computer center, with all terminals connected into one central unit be established so that students can be trained in their use. The library suggests an on-site expert to handle student inquiries and

the training duties.

Finally, it is not apparent when the computers will be purchased, but Dean Friedenthal is anxious to put the grant money to tangible use as soon as possible.

"Computers have become the newest necessity for every attorney. It is vital that all NLC students be allowed to take advantage of the technology which is available, even if they can't afford it themselves," said Friedenthal.

by Rob Hirsh

Without question, one of the most worthwhile and rewarding extracurricular activities sponsored by the SBA is the annual Homecoming Weekend. The fourth such celebration was held on the evening of Friday, November 4th. Sadly, foul weather cut short the planned revelries for the following Saturday including the traditional parade, barbecue, and the always bitterly fought contest between touch football teams from the NLC and Georgetown University School of Law. Nevertheless, the weekend's main focal point has always been the Friday evening dancing-and-drinking- fest and this year was no exception.

Not to be confused with the typical undergraduate affair dedicated to returning alumni, ours is a more hedonistic and less formalized affair, a parody of the more traditional events universally held at high schools and colleges across the nation. The theme for this year's celebration was "A Thousand Pints of Lite." This witty pun on President-Elect Bush's penetrating campaign vision aptly described the party as SBA alcohol policy was temporarily trashed along with many SBA members and their fellow students.

Of course, no Homecoming is complete without the crowning of a Homecoming King and Queen and their court, who are appropriately described as "clerks." This year's presiding court, as always selected by popular demand for their unexcelled social talents, were

announced in ceremonies at the peak of the revelries. First honored were 1L clerks Andy Abrams and Althea Rowe, who also could well be described as the best dressed selectees what with Althea's stunning black party dress and Andy's tux, tails, and brightly colored "jams."

The 2L clerks represented an innovation in the appointments to this position, as there was a team of three female clerks representing their fellow 2Ls. This not-separated-at-birth trio of young lovelies was comprised of Erin Baruth, Cindy Faulk, and Amy Sylvester. Never seen apart, their individual existence has been rumored to be wholly dependant on the presence of the other two. Gary Federachco, their companion clerk, seemed to have no difficulty with this metaphysical conundrum as he proved man enough to be the consort of his three charming fellow clerks.

True accolades were lauded, however, on the King and Queen of Homecoming 1988. The lovely Jeralyn Wendelberger was crowned Queen in a moving ceremony highlighted by SBA president Wayne Arden's bended knee honors. Then, Bob Hussey was crowned King before a cheering throng of his subjects and well-wishers and the court was thus complete. There was not a dry eye in the hall as King Bob and Queen Jeralyn surveyed their domain and found it good. The remainder of their reign was assuredly a happy Camelot. Spirits flowed, and good will and brotherhood filled the first floor of the NLC as another successful Homecoming was enjoyed by all.

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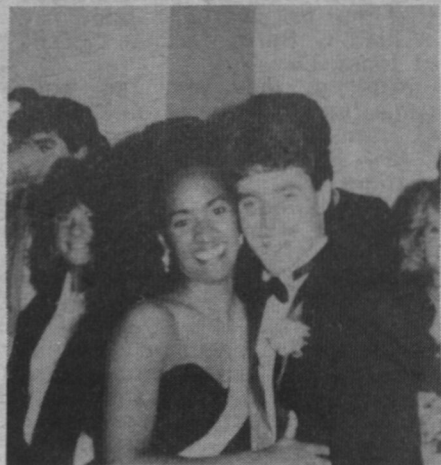


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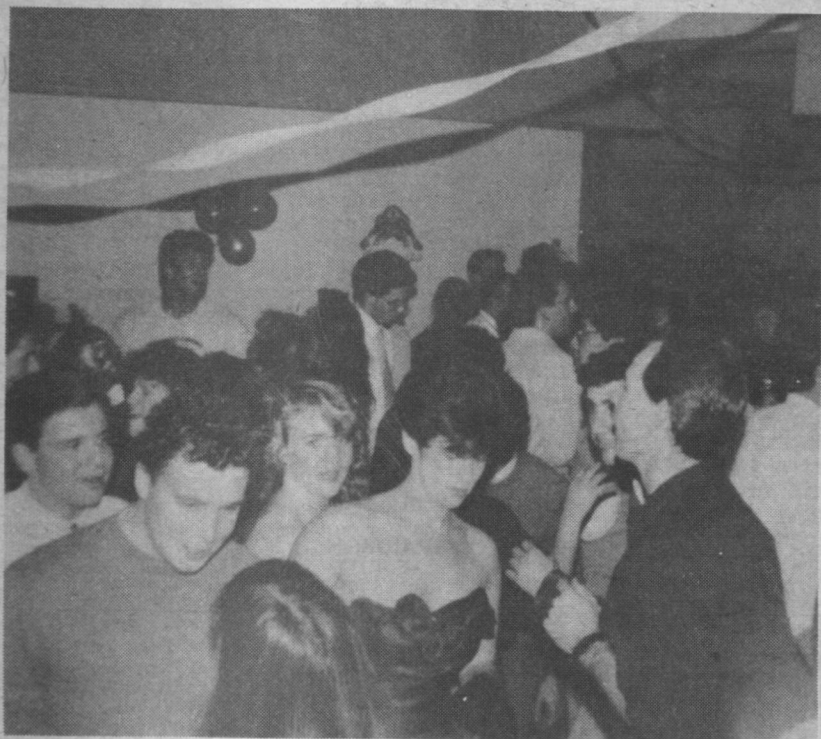


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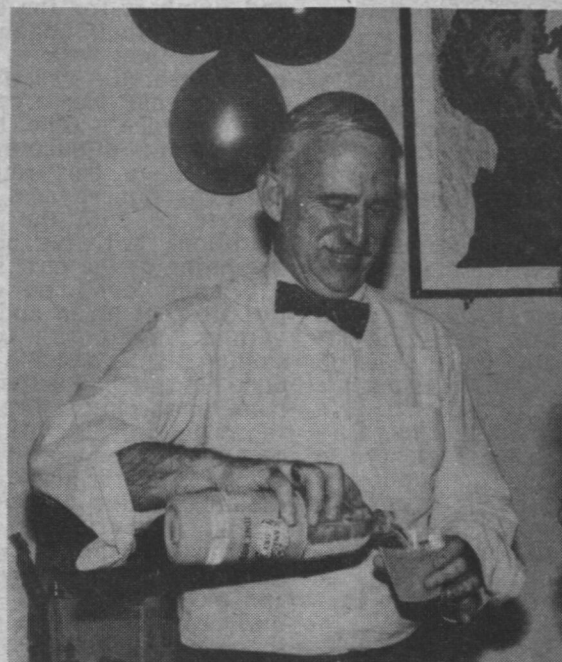


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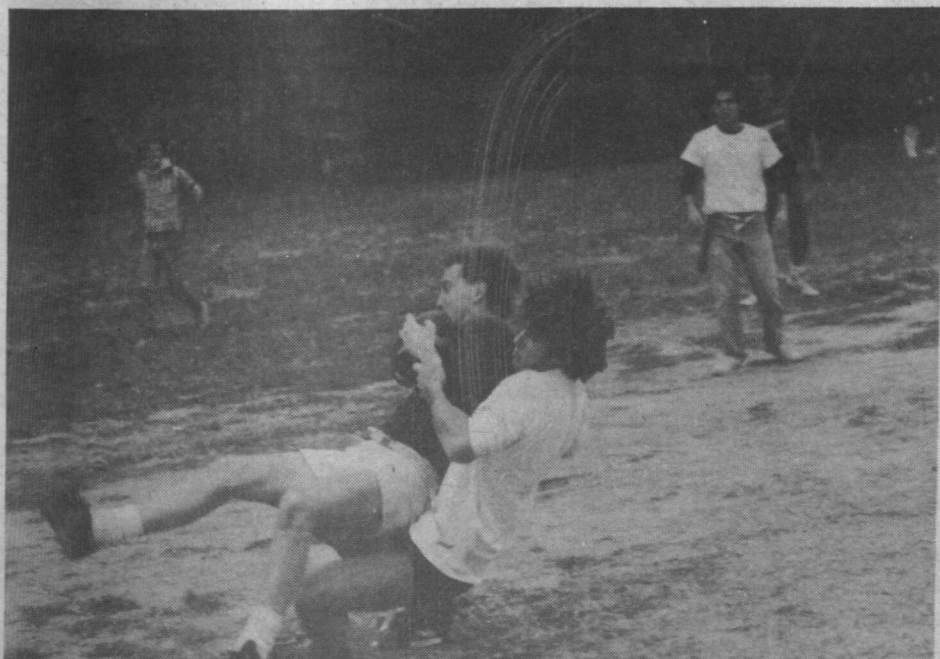
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Homecoming King and Queen '87 At The Parade With George

LAW REVUE XI: STARDOM AWAITS

by Rob Hirsh

Once again, its time for that most hallowed of NLC traditions, the Law Revue Show. The eleventh installment of this highly praised, artistic and dramatic effort is scheduled for March 3rd, 1989 at 8:00 at Lisner Hall.

For the uninitiated, the Law Revue show is an on-stage performance of comic sketches, song parodies, and dance numbers featuring your fellow law students displaying their many talents outside their proclivities for the practice of law. The various send-ups of professors, classes, and the many and varied aspects of law school existence always make for laughs aplenty. It also gives students an opportunity to showcase their acting, singing, and dancing skills which have in the past been most impressive.

While the theme for this year's show is, as in the past, a tightly guarded secret, now is the time for fertile minds to foment ideas for scripts and parody lyrics to well known tunes which are the stuff of the Law Revue Show. Submissions of such endeavors are requested for perusal by the Law Revue Board by November 23rd. They may be placed in the Law Revue box at the student activities mailboxes in the Student Organizations Suite, Burns 303. They may also be submitted to the Advocate office, care of this writer, this year a co-director of the production.

Executive Director Melinda Levitt and Producer Maureen

Eisenberg encourage anyone interested in concocting sketches and numbers for the show to do so and let their imaginations run wild. If you wish to have your piece geared directly to this year's theme, please contact them for guidance. The board as a whole wants to encourage anyone interested in performing in the show to put shyness aside and ham it up with the rest of us. Auditions will be held at the beginning of the next semester.

Friends, don't be daunted at the prospect of an audition. The various auditions for acting, singing, and dancing parts are open to all. Furthermore and most importantly, everyone who shows up for an audition will be cast in a part--everyone! So when you see those posted notices for the auditions, get it together and try out. Participating in the show is about the most pleasurable experience you can have as an NLC student, as those who have appeared in past shows will gladly tell you.

Remember, scripts are requested for submission by the 23rd of the month. It's a great opportunity for some good hearted mockery of your professors, classes, and all the other things that go into making law school such a living hell. When audition time comes around next January, don't just sit around, go for it. It doesn't place that much of a burden on your time and ye shall reap a great reward. Let's get together and make Law Revue XI the very bestest law revue ever!

Volunteers (Cont'd)

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mills. Days when everyone was working. Days when the children stayed at home, and did not venture into the big cities. Days when there was no AIDS. David listens silently, smiling rarely. One day his mother was not there. I sat next to him and he told me that people just call him on the telephone. Aside from me, none of the other volunteers, and in fact, some of the hospital personnel resisted going into his room. I told him that I did not mind, but that he could not kiss me. He laughed at this. Then I asked him if he was afraid. His eyes glazed over and filled with tears. I asked if I had gone too far. "No", he said, "it's just that

no one has ever asked me anything like that before. Please stay here until I go to sleep." I did, and when his mother arrived, she asked me to hold her while she cried.

These stories are sad and writing this has been very hard for me. This is a very personal side to my life. But I want to encourage anyone who has any free time to volunteer. It only takes a few hours each week, and for these people, who are alone, and facing death, your smile and touch means everything. And in this dog-eat-dog lifestyle that society has wrought upon us, it is a very good feeling indeed to ease the pain, if only for a second, for someone else.

TOP TEN LIST

From the Home Office in Mt. Joy, PA comes the Top Ten Lawyer Jokes.

10) What's the difference between a rooster and a lawyer?

A Rooster Clucks Defiance.

9) What's the difference between a dead lawyer in the road and a dead snake in the road?

The dead snake has skid marks in front of it.

8) What do you call a female lawyer who moonlights as a hooker?

A prostituting attorney.

7) Why don't lawyers get eaten by sharks?

Professional Courtesy.

6) What did the lawyer name

her daughter?

Sue.

5) How many lawyers does it take to screw in a light bulb?

Two, one to screw it in and one to sue the manufacturer.

4) What is a criminal lawyer?

Redundant.

3) Why don't lawyers have hemorrhoids?

Because they're perfect assholes.

2) Why can't lawyers be circumcised?

Because there's no end to those pricks.

1) What's the best law school in the country?

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Local College Hoop Scoop

by Mark Spring

If you are not a college basketball fan, don't even bother to read the rest of this article. Turn to the next page right now. This piece was written with one reader in mind: the ESPN-worshipping, Billy Packer-loving, slam-dunk-seeking college hoop junkie who thinks that the pre-season NIT is the coming of the Messiah.

As most of you fans have already purchased your Street and Smith's by now, this report will take a little bit different angle and focus on local schools: G.W., Georgetown, American, and Maryland.

George Washington - Our own G.W. Colonials led by fourth year coach John Kuester will fight to stay respectable in the always improving Atlantic 10 conference. The season will be a rebuilding one for Coach Kuester as C-F Max Blank is the lone returning senior on the squad. Blank a solid scorer and rebounder will be supported on the frontline by 6-6 junior Mike "Air" Jones and sophomore Glen Sitney who was the team's top field goal shooter last season.

The backcourt will be led by sophomore Ellis McKennie who was the team leader in assists and steals as a freshman. He is also the Colonials top returning scorer at 13.1 ppg. The other guard spot will probably belong to freshman Rodney Patterson. Patterson's high school teammate 6'11" Clint Holtz will be the most significant contributor off of an otherwise weak Colonial bench.

Coach Kuester got some good news this summer when three quality hoopsters decided to transfer to G.W. Arriving at

G.W. via the transfer route are 6-9 Bryon Hopkins (11.1 ppg, 5.4 rpg) and 6-7 Matt Nordmann (11.3 ppg, 5.9 rpg) from Navy and forward Mark Karver from Maryland. The bad news is NCAA rules require Division I transfers to sit out a year and these players won't be able to showcase their talents until next fall.

Georgetown - Good Mourning America. Freshman Alonzo Mourning has arrived, and he will provide the Hoyas with the PTP (prime time pivotman) that Coach Thompson has sorely lacked since the departure of Patrick Ewing. (Apologies to Ben Gillery, who believe it or not is now playing in the NBA with the Sacramento Kings.) Mourning along with 6'7" 240 lb. JUCO star John Turner, who reminds many of Charles Barkley, and 7 foot-plus Zaire giant Dikembe Motumbo will form a defensive frontline unparalleled by any in America.

The Hoyas backcourt is nothing to sneeze at either. Olympic point-guard Charles Smith can score with the best of them. He will certainly be an all-Big East selection. Junior Mark Tillmon, who is probably the best defensive guard in the league, will be Smith's backcourt mate.

As always Coach Thompson will use his patented 10-man shuffle substitution system. Unfortunately for Hoya foes, Thompson will not sacrifice much talent when he utilizes his bench. 6-5 swingman Jaren Jackson would be a starter on almost any other team in the nation. He lit up Seton Hall for 38 points in last season's regular season finale and Thompson will surely give him the green light from the 3-point stripe. Junior Anthony Allen is a

must on anyone's "All-Windex" team. He led the Hoyas in blocks the past two seasons and is a strong rebounder as well. Veterans Bobby Winston and Dwayne Bryant will provide solid leadership and quality backcourt depth. They will see QPT at both guard slots. Freshman Milton Bell should emerge as a force as the season progresses.

This Hoya squad should make Coach Thompson forget about the Olympics very quickly. They have it all; size, quickness, perimeter shooting, senior leadership and an aircraft carrier in the pivot. Barring injuries, this squad has a smooth road paved to Seattle that could very well lead to a second NCAA title.

American - While the Hoyas are favorites to make it to Seattle, American should be expected to win the Colonial Athletic Association title. The Eagles finally have their own home court with the recent completion of the on-campus 5,000-seat Bender arena. AU's campus is charged with excitement, and after a solid 21-10 second place showing last season, Coach Tapscott's squad finally appears ready to emerge as the conference champion.

The loss of all-CAA guard Mike Sampson will be minimized by the addition of 5-11 transfer Rodney Holmes from Duquesne. Holmes, a DC native, electrified the Smith Center back in 1986 when he almost single-handedly led the Gonzaga Purple Eagles to the Catholic HS crown with a sizzling outside shooting performance in a come from behind win over DeMatha.

The Eagles biggest off-season acquisition however is 6-8 forward Ron Draper. Draper was

a big time glass-eater in the JUCO ranks, averaging over 12 rebounds a game for South Florida Junior College. These two acquisitions supporting eight returning veterans who have all received QPT in past seasons should propel AU to the first of many successful seasons at Bender Arena.

Maryland - Poor Bobby Wade. After going 18-13 and making it to the second round of the NCAA tournament Coach Wade and the Terps seemed to have finally recovered from the mess Lefty Driesell and Lenny Bias had created three years ago. Now it seems as if Wade has developed his own problem. Defection. He can't keep players in his program. 6-10 freshman sensation Brian Williams has transferred to Arizona. Silky-smooth guard Stevie Hood has reunited with Coach Driesell at James Madison. Senior playmaker Rudy Archer has been declared academically ineligible and has withdrawn from school. Forward Mark Karver as previously mentioned has taken his talents to G.W. Guard Teyon McCoy has decided to take a year off from basketball in order to concentrate on academics.

Maryland decimated by these losses will have a hard time staying out of the cellar of the super competitive ACC. The squad will be led by junior forward Tony Massenburg (10.1 ppg) and a pair of highly touted freshman, Jerrod Mustaf and Walt Williams. Unfortunately, this will not be enough to compete with the likes of Duke, Carolina, and Georgia Tech. Wade should consider himself successful if he finishes sixth and achieves some stability with his program.

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Intervenors Move Ahead

by Vinnie Norwillo

Like the NFL, the GWU Intramural Flag Football League has recently passed its halfway point in the season. The undisputed talk of the League has been the Intervenors. Led by Coach Viccora and the outstanding arm of Coop, the Intervenors were at last count alone atop the "B" league with a perfect 3-0 record.

While the offense has amassed a comfortable 69 points, the real story has been the defense. In the tradition of the Steel Curtain, the Domsday Defense and the "46," the Intervenors carry on.

Stars in the roles of best hitters have been the impressive Chicago Greg, Samurai Fred Samuels, and a fine corp of defensive backs led by Jeremiah Castille, Steve Hoffner, and Oklahoma John. (Late breaking news: Capt. Mickle proves his mettle with a flurry of tackles and sacks.)

Other games as of this date included matches against the Purple Kind and the Mongolians. Playoffs Saturday will determine the fate of the pride of the NLC.

Prosecution Remains Unbeaten

by Gary Fedorochko

Prosecution completed the regular season with three more victories, raising their record to a perfect 7-0 and taking the Floor Hockey Division Crown.

Team Milo's fell victim twice by a 3-1 score. Dave Friedman continued his hot streak by scoring a goal in each of the final games. Rob Schwartz recorded his first shutout of the season as goaltender in the final game in a 7-0 rout of the hapless undergrad challengers. The Family Man (Scott Familant) brought it all home with his career-first hat trick.

Previously, Prosecution had extended their division record to 4-0. In the first game of the pair, Prosecution dominated the Adams Hall Gunners. In fact, the game was stopped by the referee (applying the "slaughter rule")

because the undergrads were no match for the wiser law students. Dave "Super" Powers scored a hat trick and Steve "Do you want to see my finger" Hoffner added two more goals in the 8-1 rout.

The second game of the previous schedule featured the battle of two undefeated teams. Prosecution rallied from a 0-1 deficit to defeat the Free Agents 2-1. "Super" Powers scored the tying goal, and Dave "You've got to tell me these things" Friedman netted the game winner.

Steve "Se habla Espanol" Lebowitz returned from the disabled list and frustrated opponents by applying intensive forechecking pressure in both games. Rob "Don't touch my hair" Shwarts turned in two fine performances as goal keeper.

Coach F. predicts that the playoffs ahead promise to keep the undefeated team on its guard.

TOP AREA COLLEGE HOOP GAMES

December 3 - Georgia Tech at G.W.
7 - American at G.W.
17 - DePaul at Georgetown
20 - Virginia Tech at Georgetown
January 14 - Duke at Maryland
15 - Temple at G.W.
17 - West Virginia at G.W.
23 - St. John's at Georgetown
28 - Navy at American

Springy's Top 20 College Hoop Games

by Mark Spring (obviously)

1. Georgetown
2. Illinois
3. UNLV
4. Michigan
5. Duke
6. Michigan
7. North Carolina
8. Syracuse
9. Georgia Tech
10. Louisville
11. Oklahoma
12. Iowa
13. Loyola Marymount
14. West Virginia
15. New Mexico
16. Florida
17. Stanford
18. Arizona
19. Villanova
20. Virginia Tech

February 13 - Syracuse at Georgetown
14 - Georgia Tech at Maryland
15 - Richmond at American
19 - UNC at Maryland
27 - Villanova at Georgetown

DIVERSE DIVERSIONS

Chick At The Flicks

by Christine McMahon

This issue we have one Must-See, one Must-Not-See, and one See-If-You-Want. How is that for a selection?

IMAGINE

Like any child of the sixties, some of the first strands of music I ever heard were from the leaders of the British Invasion. But my parents were more the pop-types than flower children, so their favorite Beatle, and consequently mine, was Paul, not John. Ironically, when John was assassinated years later, they were just steps away from the Dakota. They said that New York City never seemed as dangerous and chaotic as it did in the ensuing moments after that fatal shot. Both seemed shaken by the ordeal when they finally got back home to Pennsylvania. Truthfully, I did not fully realize the impact of that moment; I really did not know too much about the life of John Lennon. "Imagine" not only reveals John's life, it gives a historical account of the transition of Western society through the uptight fifties, the outta-

sight sixties, the party-all-night seventies, and the it'll-be-allright eighties.

The film is a documentary composed of over 100 hours of film from John's private collection, interspersed with interviews from John's first wife Cynthia, his second wife Yoko, and his sons, Julian and Sean. It follows the chronological evolution of the Beatles, yielding to the artistic quirks of John.

It is very interesting for one to realize that John actually lived in front of a camera his entire life, both involuntarily and voluntarily. Most of the earlier scenes of the emerging Beatles (some memorable scenes of them performing in the Cave) and of their American tour, were done by television stations. But as the years go on, it is clear that John developed his own personal fascination with the camera, turning it on himself and his entourage constantly. It must have been a peculiar way to live. Clearly this is not a portrait of a humble man; John obviously felt that his message was an important one.

During the fifties, the Beatles brought rock-and-roll into the forefront, and in taking their

McMahon At The Movies

music overseas, brought their personalities into the living rooms of the world. Though they were all characters, in their early mop top haircuts and collarless suits, it was sometimes difficult to distinguish them. But during the sixties, they came alive. Suddenly it was clear that there were gross differences in both lifestyles and ideas between John and Paul. Paul admitted to dropping acid, but one quickly got the feeling that he was boasting about it. On the other hand, John kept a lower profile about his drug usage, but judging from his actions, he was probably much more involved than he let on.

Yoko's entrance in the film is remarkably low-key, but it is clear from John's own words and the way he defends her that she was the motivating force in his life. This man really loved this woman, difficult as that may be to accept. The film shows the pair during their peace bed-in (which is reason enough to see "Imagine") and continues one to show them making love and finally one with their child, Sean.

But perhaps the best reason for spending two hours in the theatre watching "Imagine" is the music.

absolutely adore Bono, or perhaps the Edge (Why can't this guy have a real name), there is nothing in this prolonged M-TV video to hold anyone's attention for a full two hours.

This is a documentary of Ireland's favorite sons' venture into the frontier lands of America. They go at it like a bad John Wayne movie, roping up the fans who follow them like cattle before heading off into the Wild West. Supposedly, the American tour radically changed U2 from mild-mannered intellectuals into pop prototypes. Though we get to see a lot of their backstage antics, most of the film is devoted to the time in front of the screaming fans. But let's be realistic. We can see all of this on cable. And Bono's views of the lifestyles of America's rich and famous certainly are not elucidating. We already know that we are a fat and rich country. We do not need these guys (who by the way are not emaciated and poverty-stricken themselves) to show us the way to true emancipation.

In my opinion, the money spent on viewing this movie would be put to far better use on the purchase of one of U2's albums. But if you are a die-hard U2 fan, this may be something for you.

U2: RATTLE AND HUM

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The music is the only reason to see this movie. Unless you

Eating Your Way Through Law

School V: Extracurricular Cooking

by Jean C. Arthur

As a law student who works, there is little enough time to do the things which are required, such as research for the open memo for that wonderful class 1L's love to hate, Legal Research & Writing. Where is one to find the time to think about cooking and eating nutritionally?

Take this writer. I enjoy cooking and baking. I love to bake. During college, I lived in the dormitory and took my meals in the cafeteria. There were very few opportunities to cook. When I got tired of the cafeteria, I resorted to the local fast food establishment or to a soup & sandwich in my room.

I entered graduate school right after college, and although I no longer lived in a dormitory but shared an apartment with a friend, my menus improved very little from what they had been in college. After graduate school, I discovered free time. Here was the chance to try all those recipes I had been saving over the years and try the kitchen equipment I had been investing in.

Three years after completing my Master's degree, I am enrolled in law school. Many days, like many of my fellow students, supper consists of a cookie and some type of beverage purchased at one of the stores surrounding the law school, or worse, from a vending machine.

One of the things I discovered after completing graduate school was that since I didn't have to study or do research I was finding other things to fill up my time, like developing a social life, and I still did not have a lot of time to cook. This time shortage started me in a habit which has proven to have been beneficial since enrolling in law school. I devoted a few hours on the

weekend to the preparation of several dishes, enough to feed myself throughout the week and even to take to work for lunch if I chose to.

These dishes are never elaborate. Many of them consist of putting a lot of things in a pot or casserole dish and letting them simmer or bake for a period of time. Re-heating in the microwave later is all that's necessary. The dishes also tend to be extremely versatile. Most importantly, they are more nutritionally sound than donuts and Diet Cokes.

Only one recipe will be shown here because of space constraints. This recipe for Texas Chile is very easy and can be served a number of ways: by itself with french bread or crackers, or with tortilla or corn chips and lettuce, chopped tomatoes, shredded cheese and sour cream as a taco salad. Chili can also be served over rice, spaghetti, or other pasta.

This recipe is quite simple, and is even easier if a food processor is available to chop the meat and the vegetables. I do recommend that every cook, regardless of ability, invest in at least a mini food processor. It is a great gadget and saves a lot of time. This version calls for beef chuck, but ground beef may be substituted if it is preferred (although it's more fattening).

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Bar Review III: Nightclub 9:30

by Rob Hirsh

Nightclub 9:30 is the sort of club venue that every city of any note should have. Washingtonians are especially fortunate to have this small, eclectic music club in their midst for there's nothing else like it in the city. 9:30 is arguably the only true punk/alternative nightclub in Washington and Washington is a better place for it. The club fills a void between the smaller, "artsy" d.c. space and larger forums such as Lisner Hall and Warner Theater on up, where national and international punk/alternative acts can find a stage and an enthusiastic audience.

Without it, Washington would likely be bypassed by many such worthwhile talents and held at the mercy of local university program boards which are more open to this music, but cannot afford to feature the large volume of acts that appears on 9:30's stage. 9:30 also serves as a venue for a great many local acts and you can be sure that local musicians are grateful indeed for this opportunity to ply their trade. The club features live music almost every night of the year with at least a couple of bands performing at each show. Truly, this is Washington's live music showcase, especially for those whose taste in music ranges beyond the bland offerings of most major record companies.

Nightclub 9:30 is located at 930 F Street, NW (of course--every city has at least one trendy club named after its address), a desolate appearing area at night that nonetheless has several other nightspots within short walking distance, including the Fifth Column and the Vault. It occupies most of the ground floor of the old Atlantic Building which does not at first glance appear to house anything of note and is easily overlooked on a first pass. Once through the front doors one walks down a long and brightly lit corridor to the entrance of the club proper where employees await to sell tickets to the show at a box office and perform the obligatory I.D. check and handstamp.

Inside the club itself, it becomes readily apparent that this is not an alternative club in yuppies' clothing like Georgetown's Posuers and Dupont Circle's Cagney's. No friends, this is the real thing, just like in Chicago or New York.

The walls and the ceiling are painted jet black and that paint is peeling and well worn. The main performance area is laid out in front of you. Directly in front of the entrance in the room's southwest corner is a raised area where the DJ and soundmen operate. To the left along the north wall is the front bar. In the room's southeast corner is the smallish stage raised a good two feet off the

floor of ancient linoleum tiles. The most unfortunate aspect of this setup is plain, the four support posts from floor to ceiling which can obscure one's view of the stage but good if unfortunate enough be caught behind one.

Moving past the front bar, there is a wide hall with multilevel seating and small tables where one can get away from the standing crowd to enjoy a cocktail. This hall brings you to the back bar, but also leads to the basement where restrooms are located. There is also a small lounge down there and a convenient coat check. In all, the club is rather spacious. Yet, do to the often large crowds it draws, the club can become exceptionally crowded. When the big crowds come it also becomes an especially hot, humid, and smokey place. As we mentioned before, this is the genuine article when it comes to alternative nightclub entertainment.

The make-up of its patrons varies as widely as the bands which perform there. Rest assured that there are plenty of punks, new wavers, neo-hippies, and other countercultural types. Also be assured that there will be next to no yuppie types in attendance. This is the ideal place to go if you want to be certain of a law student-free evening, a highly recommended pursuit at least once a month for the preservation of sanity and

good taste. Ages range widely in the under-thirty spectrum because all shows are all ages, yet another strong point among many at 9:30.

Nightclub 9:30 is also a premier video club. Their between-sets musical offerings, and those before-and-after shows are about as daring as any one will find in this city. Like most video clubs, the ample supply of television screens spread throughout the premises show not only the most cutting of cutting edge music videos, but also a wide range of other video fair from bizarre "art videos" to classic cartoons, silent films, and video montages. The most innovative aspect of 9:30's television angle, one especially well suited to the often packed house where a clear view of the stage can be difficult, is the fact that all performances are televised on an in-house system. Perched high atop one of the support poles sits an employee with video-cam in hand who supplies the best view in the house during performances, making an excellent view possible even when you're nowhere in the vicinity of the stage.

This writer's first experiences of Nightclub 9:30 stretch back to fall '86, and some local band shows which did not impress nearly so much as the club itself. Soon enough however, the kind of small acts of high quality

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9:15 "The Rehnquist Court and the First Amendment: The 1987-1988 Term" Jerome A. Barron (LLM '60), Lyle T. Alverson Professor of Law, The National Law Center

10:00 "Morrison v. Olson" (the special prosecutors case) Alexia Morrison (JD '72)

10:30 Coffee Break

10:45 Rule 11 and You - "A Roundtable"

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Pro-Fee (Cont'd)

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students, and \$8 per semester for part-time students would provide the SA with about \$400,000 to meet student needs. This is a much more realistic figure. These additional funds would then be channeled back directly to student organizations, including graduate organizations such as the Student Bar Association. The end result: more money and more programs.

The final major advantage to the adoption of the student fee is best summed-up by the commercial phrase "Membership has its privileges." Under the present system, leaders of the SA have little financial obligation to the students. Since the funding comes directly from the University, you have no direct control over your elected representatives. Under the student fee system, your fee will be equivalent to membership dues. As a dues-paying member of the SA you can exercise greater control and ownership over the organization. If, for instance, you feel that graduate student needs are not being met, then you can realistically argue that over 50 percent of the fees being paid to the SA are paid by graduate students, and because of this, our concerns must be addressed.

As the Founding Fathers said, taxation without representation is wrong. Graduate students make up a substantial part of the SA, and as such we have an obligation to be active participants in its governance. Through our involvement in the Senate and the Executive we can have a very significant impact on SA decisions. It is our responsibility to see that our Senate seats are filled with qualified representatives, and that our concerns are heard and addressed. The SA is very receptive to all student needs, and will continue to be with the addition of a student fee.

As a member of the Law School I encourage each of you to take a moment before declaring, "read my lips--no student fee." As a student of the George Washington University, the student fee will be to your advantage, and as a law student, the student fee could lead to increased representation. "It's a good law."

In December, please exercise your right to vote on this important issue. Our legitimacy as members of the G.W. community depends on our making our voices heard through the ballot box. It is my hope that you will vote "yes" on the student fee, but at the very least, I hope you'll vote.

Anti-Fee (Cont'd)

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about reserving any of that space for graduates. GWUSA, has made little noise about the University's silence.

Moreover, historically, GWUSA has been uninterested in how issues affect law students. A recent *Hatchet* article noted that the law school receives the third highest allocation of GWUSA funds behind the Medical School and the Program Board. But, what does that mean? The incongruity of the Medical School allocation was discussed above. The Program Board, on the other hand, is ostensibly a university wide organization.

Unfortunately, the majority of Program Board activities are not aimed at the law school. Either they are not advertised here, or simply, they are not of interest. Frankly, no matter how interesting PB party ideas are, the bottom line is that law students do not attend such parties not because they lack interest, but because they remind too many of us of Fraternity Parties, which we left behind in our own undergraduate days.

Even the date of the referendum reflects GWUSA's insensitivity. The referendum will be held on December 5, during reading period. It is the undergraduate's last week of classes. Accordingly, few law students will likely pop their heads out of books to vote. Perhaps undergraduates won't vote either, but it is doubtful that a similar vote of this import would have been held during the undergraduate's finals period.

In addition, the Senate will finally hold a meeting at the law school. Again, it will be during reading period. By demonstrating such a lack of sensitivity,

GWUSA undermines its own self-professed role as Student Association, not Undergraduate Student Association. It is unclear that from such an organization, the law school could receive as great a share as what it puts into such a fund.

But, even if we could be assured that we would only get what we pay for, can we be assured of the administration of the fund? Though it is clear that GWUSA needs money, do they need an almost 40 percent increase over last year's budget (\$252,000 to \$400,000)? Are they capable of administering the larger sum? Will they audit themselves?

All these matters seem to be issues that GWUSA plans to handle according to its historic pattern, not the language of the bill proposed: the club rules, as it were. The problem is, not everyone feels like a member of the club. Until every student can at least get the impression that they belong to a university community, and feel confident in their position in that university community, the student activity fee is an idea who's time can wait.

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MYSTIC PIZZA

Not even a connoisseur of fine pizza would find anything worthwhile here. This is one of the most ridiculous, inane and childish movies I have ever seen. Everyone else in the theatre seemed to agree, judging by the number of times I heard "Oh come on." Basically, the plot could have been written by a thirteen year old, and worse yet, there aren't even any beautiful people to look at.

The movie focuses on three teenager girls living in Mystic, Connecticut, a fishing town. Apparently the Portugese who work on the lobster boats are heavily discriminated against, and you guessed it, these kids are all Portugese. Now for the spice of the pizza-show.

These kids all work in a pizzeria, and they all fall in love. One falls for a typical rich kid, with a Porsche, and a BMW, and his own estate, and family problems. Of course, the girl is the one to set him straight.

Another is in love with a guy who works on a lobster boat who desperately wants to marry her, but gee, she just isn't sure that she wants to make that commitment. Since she has nothing else going for her, and since we aren't even given a brief glimpse into what else she may want out of life, it comes as no surprise that she finally ends up marrying the guy and holding the reception in the pizzeria.

The last girl is supposed to be the one with the brains. She is going to start at Yale, but in the meantime, has a passion for astronomy, and while babysitting to raise money for school, develops a passion for the father of her charge. And guess what? The father falls for her too. But lest this movie get too carried away, the youngster quickly learns that while, sometimes even married men can be led astray, in the end they usually go back to their wives and families.

I went to see this on one of those dreary, rainy days that are perfect for watching nonsense. But this was too much. Andy Abrams (IL) suggested describing this movie as "waiting for Domino's pizza for over an hour and then opening the box to find pepperoni and green peppers when what you ordered was hot peppers, mushrooms and onions." I think I'll just say that this Pizza left me cold.

Real Pizza Facts

Dominos of Washington Delivers:

25,000 pizza's a day
20 pizza's a day to the Bush Campaign
200 pizza's a day to the Senate and House
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I Was Just Thinking

by Kevin F. O'Hare

He was resplendent in his flowing robes, regally holding his orb and scepter. The embodiment of the divine right, he jauntily strode past adoring throngs of well wishers. Perched upon his lofty throne, the common folk were agog with thoughts of the halcyon days of an Augustan age long past, a return to the era of the sun king and his court at Versailles, a hearkening back to the heroes of Arthurian lore. For one brief shining moment he was our king and Burns Hall our Camelot. Our homecoming king was Bob Hussey and we shall never forget him.

His Queen, Jeralyn Wendelburger, bathed joyously in the afterglow of our beloved king. The personification of high court wifely virtue and feminine charm, nary a courtier present was bold enough to steal a glance at her. Their court, Andy Abrams, Althea Rowe, Amy Sylvester, Erin Baruth, Cynthia Faulk and Gary Fedorochko, courtly gentlemen and ladies all, gave us inspiration and memories of time we never will know again.

Inclement weather wiped out the rest of the homecoming weekend, including the ballyhooed football match, (postponed indefinitely). The homecoming eve party's success can be summed up in two words--free beer. It certainly wasn't owing to the musical entertainment.

The disc jockey had a simple musical philosophy. Play bad music and play it loud. At times it was as if one was transported back to a sixth grade school party, except that the sixth graders back at St. Mary's in Danvers could handle their liquor a little better than most NLCers. If you still like K.C. and the Sunshine Band, Wild Cherry and the Ohio Players, you were in heaven. The dee-jay however, should be investigated for taking payola from K-Tel records.

Thanksgiving is approaching, and it appears that none of my prognostications of October 17 have come to fruition. However, there is one SBA phenomenon that has come to light as the direct result of my and others' *Advocate* contributions. I call this "The Look of Fear". An example or two seems in order. If I walk into the SBA office, conversations abruptly end. Those speaking gaze at me frozen in horror (the "look of fear"), and the designated SBAer plaintively queries, "This isn't going to be in *The Advocate*, is it?". The variation on this theme is "I don't want this in *The Advocate*, o.k.?". The reverse psychology routine has become fashionable with some as well (e.g. the frothing at the mouth "Put this in *The Advocate*!! Put this in *The Advocate*!!"). In the eyes of some of the SBA people, *Advocate* staffers are a cross between Charles Manson, Howard Schechter and Torquemada.

The Presidential Election is old news by now and everyone can breathe a collective sigh of

relief, free from the unrelenting crush of campaign b.s. Bear in mind however, that we are two and one-half years away from starting the whole merry go round all over again. Mr. Bush won the election going away, and as a result received a mandate to reform the Massachusetts prison system, clean Boston Harbor, play with his grandchildren and pretend he's President Reagan. Liberal became a dirty word in 1988 and negative campaigning became the norm. This was less a campaign than a shouting match over which side had the best gimmicks.

Despite these occurrences, there is one trend which came out of the election which I believe will change the political landscape of this nation. Ben Jones (D) defeated incumbent Pat Swindall of Georgia. To the political layman, this probably means nothing until one realizes that Rep. Jones is the lovable mechanic "Cooter" from the Dukes of Hazzard. Add this to the fact that Fred "Gopher" Grandy was re-elected from Iowa. A clear trend is emerging. Second-rate stars from mediocre seventies television programs are becoming political dynamite.

My political sources have informed me that a number of former Tiger-Beat coverboys and comic relief laff getters are planning to run for high state or federal office in 1990 and 1992.

Bill Macy, "Maude's" Walter Findlay, is planning to run against Maryland's Senator Barbara Mikulski in '92. Dave "Reuben Kincaid" Madden will challenge for the Governor's chair in California. Anson "Potsie" Williams and Isabel "The Jefferson's" Sanford are said to be investigating Congressional possibilities in the state of Florida. Conrad "Mr. 'What you talking 'bout Dad' Drummond" Bain of Differ'nt Strokes is said to be a lock to be the next Senator from Nevada. Add Mike "Bobby Brady" Lookingland, Norman "Stanley Roper" Fell, Ted Bessell, Lionel "OOH OOH Mrs. H" Stander, Larry Hovis, Nancy "Rosie/Rhoda/Sally Weinbrom" Walker, and Bill "Ken Howard" Snapes, all rumored to be angling for one or another political prize, to the equation and the possibility of a trash t.v. political realignment seems quite possible.

With the last "I was just thinking list" of the year upon us, I would like to wish all my faithful readers a bountiful Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New Year! Even you, Wayne!

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Who Knows Who Cares

by David Koman

For those of you who don't know it, this is the last issue of *The Advocate*; not forever, just for this semester. Some of you are probably saying "Who cares? Its a crummy newspaper anyway." But let's face it, *The Advocate* is a lot better then reading your case books or any other legal periodical in the law school. I remember reading in the last issue that Wayne Arden was hoping November would be better for him then October. Well Wayne, so far it hasn't been. You cancelled the Homecoming football game around 10:00 a.m. but by the time the game was suppose to be played, it was sunny. All of those playoff games for nothing. And then there was the election, sorry about the "Duke," maybe if Chuck Robb and Sam Nunn run in '92, the Democrats may have a chance. Enough of this negative stuff, the Homecoming Dance was great! I think everyone that went had a great time. It's always fun seeing professors party with students. Professor Robinson made an awesome bartender.

You know many people have friends that have gotten busted for one thing or another and have had a hard time finding a job. I'm glad that the NLC doesn't hold this against them when they apply here. The W.C. Burns/Eric J. McFadden affair is not the first time legal research and writing standards have been compromised. Back in 1985, we had another esteemed legal research teacher, named William Vernon Vetter, who turned out to have been disbarred in the state of Washington. At least this time, Mr. Burns was apprehended before he had a chance to mold the fragile egg-shelled minds of first years.

By the way, if Marriott makes a deli-bar in the non-smoking lounge, does that mean the message center has to be moved?

Did you know there are only 40 more shopping days 'til Christmas? And did you know that Domino's Pizza delivers 20 pizzas a day at the White House? Last but not least, this week's joke: What's the difference between a lawyer and a prostitute? At least the prostitute will kiss you while you're being screwed. Who Knows and Who Cares?

Holiday Gift-Giving Ideas

by David B. Sharpe

As we brace for the Fall exam study period, it is easy to overlook the imminence of the Holiday Season. With just short of six weeks until Christmas (and about 1100 days until the Iowa Caucuses), it's the right time to be thinking about those special people in your life. We all seek unique, low-cost gift-giving ideas, but who has time to think, let alone shop? Here are a few possibilities for that special someone, law-student or otherwise.

CRAFTS: In this era of waterproof phones, cordless irons, talking automobiles, and inflatable CD players, it is easy to overlook the simpler things. Why not give some time and thought to a handmade craft. This year, I'll be giving collages of my favorite Supreme Court holdings to my loved ones. *Bakke*, *Brown v. Board of Education*, and *Roe v. Wade* contain just of few of the stoic rules of law with which I'll be embellishing these handsome and practical gifts. Ideal as wall hangings, mobiles, coasters, or kindling, these attractive collages will surely be the talk of your study group. Use excerpts from your own casebooks, or use the pages you cut out of U.S. Reports. Either way, nothing reflects so elegantly on the gift giver than a sentiment that "says it in holdings."

Another holiday craft that is simple and fun to make is the **Cork Menorah**. We'll be using the corks from a case of 101-proof Wild Turkey bottles this holiday season, but wine bottle corks do just as well. The menorahs are as fun to make as they are to give, and according to my roommate, corks permeated with high-octane whiskey burn "just fine." Live it up. Experiment.

BOOKS: As law students, we see plenty of books, but our friends and family outside the legal community probably don't

get their USRDA of -quality reading material. Books are expensive, though. This holiday season, give the gift that will keep on giving. Give the **Law School Data Assembly Service Handbook**. They're small, they're attractive, and they are absolutely free outside of the admissions office. I like the chapters on sample test materials, but I'm sure each member of the family will develop their own favorites, too. As an attractive supplement, try a copy of the current **National Law Center Bulletin**. (Note: These books can be used just as effectively as instruments of revenge.)

SERVICES: Remember when you were a kid and you used to give your parents coupons good for lawn mowings, leaf rakings, and liquor pilferings? I do. Coupons for services still make valuable gifts. Try pledging one of these before your billable hourly rate goes up. Give Law School building tours. Perform LEXIS searches for cases containing your loved ones' names as defendants. Pledge to have library personnel clean-up cans and crumbs from your own home. Pledge huge sums to the EJF in your friends' names. These are just a few examples of how actions can speak holiday cheer louder than words.

OTHER: Still looking for something different? How about giving a **Golden Lion Tamarin** this yuletide season? These wily little marmosets roam freely around the grounds of the National Zoo, and are clearly yours for the taking. Imagine you friends' faces when one of these little "devils" comes scratching and clawing out of the stocking. The reward for return policy is favorable, too. Or maybe give the home version of the wacky gameshow **Courtroom Bondage** (ages 18 and over), the exciting but naughty game of "pleadings," "motions," and "sanctions."

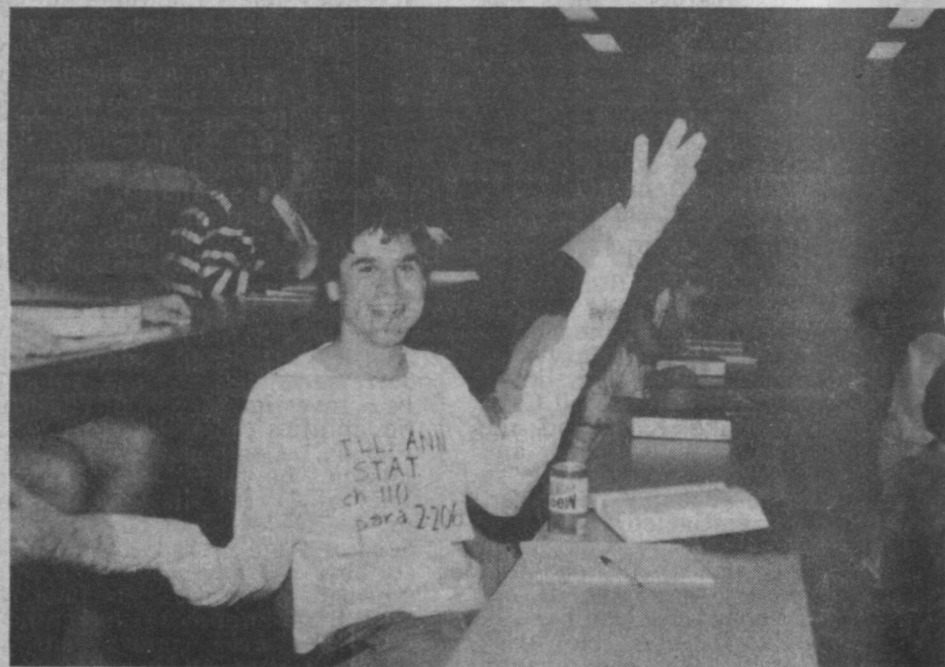
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Every year at Halloween time, Prof. Banzhaf holds a special meeting of his first year Torts class. On the specified day, students are encouraged to come dressed in costume. In exchange for sporting participation, Banzhaf warrants to skip over those playing by the rules during that day's distinctive question and answer session. Those eschewing costumes get called upon; insufficient answers get the unfortunate participant a "trick," generally a puzzle or riddle.

Students this year came in a bewildering and imaginative array of costumes. Several Blind Justices sat in attendance. Heroes from the common law included the Reasonable Man and The Unreasonable Convict. A man dressed as Star-ry Decisis was adjudicated as having an insufficient costume. Lawyers, guns, and money were all represented. The spittin' image of Banzhaf sat in the second row. The pranks were effective. Here are a few highlights of this year's session.

Socratic Method in His Madness:

(Clockwise from right)
Prof. Banzhaf assigns a "trick";
The Illinois Long Arm Statute;
Mrs. Palsgraf's encounter with the
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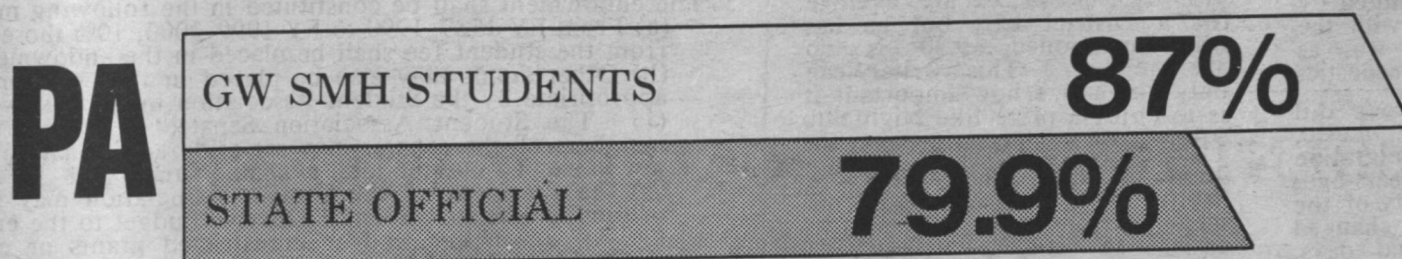
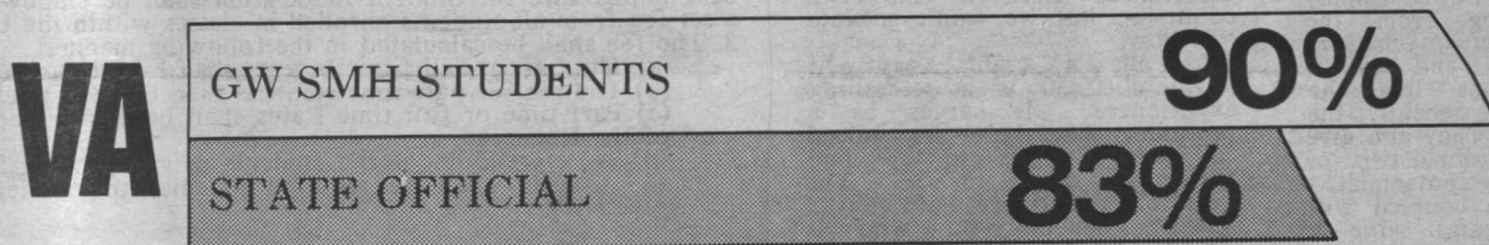
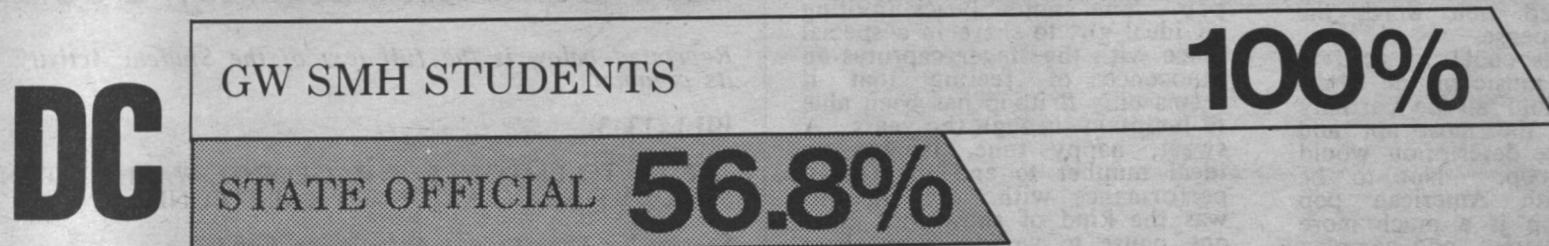
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Bar Review (Cont'd)

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played dates that they really could only play at a place like 9:30, and my loyalty was sealed. Among other acts which this writer has seen at the venue include Peter Shelley, ex-Buzzcocks leader, Adrian Belew of King Crimson fame, and The Jesus and Mary Chain, perhaps the definitive post-punk group of the 80's. 9:30 has also featured acts of much wider fame including Peter Murphy, Iggy Pop, and the Cult.

On Tuesday, November 1, there appeared at 9:30 a group that this writer is a particular fan of and thought the he would never have the opportunity to see in this country, the Chills. Formed in the early 1980's by guitarist/singer/songwriter Martin Phillips, the band hails from New Zealand, which serves to explain why prospects for Chills performances in the U.S. were, until recently, somewhat bleak. They recorded on the New Zealand independent label, Flying Nun, and their recordings have never been easy to get, but once obtained, have always proved well worth the effort and expense.

Many labels could be used to describe the music of the Chills and they would all be partially correct, but the most apt and broad-ranging description would be British pop. Not to be confused with American pop music, Britpop is a much more dynamic, powerful, and complex music that could never be compared to the facile, formulaic music which rates as American pop 40's. The Chills employ techniques ranging from the guitar layerings of psychedelic 60's pop to the fast and loud of power pop groups like the Buzzcocks, or more recently, the Wedding Present. They also give their tunes an occasional twist of darker, more contemplative themes that when coupled with their other imagings serve to create a truly unique and captivating sound.

The small, but extremely enthusiastic crowd that Tuesday evening were not disappointed by the first live encounter with the Chills. Sound quality was as good and clear as the acoustics of 9:30 permit. The group did emphasize their newer music, recorded since their immigration to England a couple of years ago, but the style and diversity of the music has not been much changed from their New Zealand days. The songs were for the most part short, which typifies Britpop in general, but most were very catchy, upbeat numbers performed

with obvious gusto which always infects itself into an audience if displayed during a live performance.

A most notable recent tune, *The House With a Hundred Rooms*, a somber tune with a plaintive piano dominating the melody, was received with great approval. Most well received, though, were the older songs from the New Zealand days. Their most significant single of that period, *Pink Frost*, a dark, brooding number featuring lonesome sounding clear single guitar notes and a dark, haunting keyboard drone was written in memory of the Chills' first keyboardist, who died of leukemia five years ago. This outstanding song was greeted with robust cheers and started the room rocking early with its strong beat and the eerie quality of its music and lyrics.

The final encore of the evening was another old favorite, *Kaleidoscope World*. This song harkens back to the more jangly, twangy guitar lines of sixties-ish pop. The simple lyrics inviting an ideal girl to share in a special place with the singer captures an innocence of feeling that it seems only Britpop has been able to maintain through the years. A sweet, happy tune, it was an ideal number to end the Chills' performance with. In all, this was the kind of show that gives one pause to wonder why there aren't any American groups like the Chills. This writer has always chalked it up to cultural differences between the two countries, but we won't go into that now.

In all, a night spent at Nightclub 9:30 is a refreshing experience. It serves as a reminder that there are indeed "different" places to go and "different" things to see. The cost of admittance, of course, greatly depends on who is performing that evening. Local band shows tend to be less expensive, while internationally known acts can run as high as \$15. Drink prices are average for a District bar, but as has been mentioned, 9:30 is no average bar. This writer can only emphasize how important it is to enjoy a place like Nightclub 9:30 as an alternative to the

sorts of dull, interchangeable haunts that most law students seem to prefer. It's always easier to stick with what's known, safe and easy, but then, nothing that's good is ever easy. Think about it.

Chile (Cont'd)

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Texas Chile

- 1 tablespoon whole cumin seed
- 2 lbs beef chuck roast, diced
- 2 yellow onions, peeled and chopped
- 6 cloves garlic, crushed
- 2 fresh jalapeno peppers, seeded and chopped
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 4 tablespoons powdered chili, or more to taste
- 1 tablespoon whole oregano leaves
- 1 28-ounce can tomatoes

Place cumin seeds in pie pan and toast in 375-degree oven for 10 minutes. Remove and set aside. Heat large pan and spray bottom with a light film of cooking spray or add a small amount of cooking oil. Add diced meat and brown over high heat along with garlic, onions, and jalapenos. When meat is

brown and onions clear, add remaining ingredients. Mash-up tomatoes with your hands, but add the liquid as will. Simmer for 1 hour or until meat is tender, and correct seasoning. Cooked beans can be added about 10 minutes before cooking is completed. Makes at least 6 servings.

The beauty of this recipe is that one can adjust it to suit one's taste. There are many more recipes as simple as this which are completed in 30 minutes or less. My collection includes recipes for Green Pepper Steak, Beef Stew, Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Hummus, Flounder Fillets in Foil, and Mushrooms Florentine. Anyone who is interested can give me call at 949-6024 (leave a message on the answering machine), or leave a note in the message folder on the First Floor.

The Student Activity Fee Bill

Reprinted below is the full text of the Student Activity Fee Bill absent its preamble.

BILL 13-3

A BILL TO EMPOWER THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY STUDENT ASSOCIATION TO RAISE FUNDS.

Section I- The Student Association Fund

1. The Student Association shall be empowered to raise funds for its own use.
2. With the Cooperation of the Office of the Registrar and the Office of Campus Life the Student Association shall be empowered to obtain a set fee from all students enrolled in classes within the University.
3. The fee shall be calculated in the following manner:
 - (a) The fee for full time students shall be \$16 per semester
 - (b) The fee for part time students shall be \$8 per semester
 - (c) Part time or full time status shall be determined by the Office of the Registrar
 - (d) A referendum of the students as specified in Section 1300 of the Charter shall be required to raise the student fee for any given year.

Section II - The Student Association Endowment

1. A Student Association endowment will be established.
2. The endowment and all interest accrued shall be the sole property of the Student Association
3. The endowment shall be constituted in the following manner:
 - (a) From FY 1989-1990 to FY 1999-2000, 10% those funds received from the student fee shall be placed in the endowment
 - (b) Other funds may also be placed in the endowment as deemed appropriate by the Student Association in the following manner:
 - (i) The Student Association Senate, by a vote of 3/4 of the members of the senate, may set aside additional funds, up to, but not to exceed 20% of total available funds
 - (ii) the President of the Student Association may set aside funds originally allocated to the Executive budget to the endowment.
 - (iii) All unsolicited and/or unrestricted grants or contributions to the Student Association shall be placed in the endowment unless otherwise specifically designated for other uses by a special executive order, subject to the approval of the Senate.
4. During the period FY 1989-1990 to FY 1999-2000, monies from both the principle and accrued interest shall be available for student use in the following manner:
 - (a) If funds from student fees fall 10% or more below levels from the preceding fiscal year, the endowment contribution for that fiscal year shall be waived.
 - (b) The president of the Student Association, with the approval of 3/4 of the senate, may extract monies from the endowment for capital improvements not to exceed a total of 5% of the endowment in any given fiscal year.

Section III - Enactment and Ratification

1. A special binding referendum, as specified in section 1300 of the Student Association charter, shall be called.
2. The referendum shall take place no later than December 5, 1988.
3. Voting shall be open for one day only.
4. This referendum shall be in conjunction with a special referendum on recommendations as approved in advance by the Task Force on Constitutional Revision as stipulated in Senate Bill 13-2.
5. Actual integration of this enactment into the legal documents of the Student Association shall be subject to further stipulation in accordance with Bill 13-2.
6. All other specifics of the referendum shall be determined by the Joint Elections Committee.

Section VI - Special

The Student Association is directed through various means, including its membership on the Budget Task Force, to lobby for the appropriation of monies previously allocated to the Student Association to other areas of immediate student concerns.

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L.A.W. Benefit

The Law Association for Women has decided to use the funds from its bagel sales to provide financial aid to a student at the NLC. The recipient will get the funds as they are generated by the bagel sales and can expect to receive at least \$70 a month during the academic year. Interested students should inquire at the Financial Aid Office. Applications will be reviewed by a 3 person committee of L.A.W. members. The recipient will be selected based upon financial need. Unless the recipient requests otherwise, her name will not be announced.

Last Fall Enrichment Speaker

The last Enrichment Series speaker for the semester will be William C. Weld, Former Chief of Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, on Tuesday, November 15th at 8:00 p.m. in Room L201. Night students who have previously been unable to attend other Enrichment Series programs are encouraged to attend.

Patent Law Info

An October 25, 1988 report in the "Careers" section of the *New York Times* stated "[a] nationwide shortage of patent attorneys is occurring at a time when many companies are increasing the size of their patent staffs as they become more litigious and aggressive about patents."

Students considering careers as patent lawyers or any other "inventive" types are encouraged to attend the Jacob Burns Law Library seminar on "Patent Law Research." Visiting NLC Professor and Acting Director of the Patent & Intellectual Property Law Program, Barry Bretschneider, will discuss the basic resources and the research process on Wednesday, Nov. 16, in B305 at 12:10 p.m.

Loan Forgiveness Info

On Wednesday, November 16, the Loan Forgiveness Task Force will be conducting an informational meeting at 5:00 p.m. in room L201.

The purpose of the meeting is to inform students of the status of the Loan Repayment Assistance Program proposal which is being considered presently by a special faculty committee.

For the past two years, the Task Force has worked to design a program which will encourage NLC students to pursue public service legal work by making loan debt burdens more manageable. The proposal, which contains both loan deferment and loan forgiveness components, is a result of this effort.

We encourage all students, particularly first-years, to attend.

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Student Entrepreneurs: We want to do a story on students who own their own businesses. Leave your name and number at *The Advocate* office B303B.

To assist in this effort, we are asking the students, faculty, and staff of the NLC to donate clean, used clothing for children and adults. Marked clothing receptacles will be placed near the third floor elevators in Burns and Stockton Halls during the drive.

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BLSA Drive

by Karen Y. Roberts

In the spirit of the Thanksgiving season, the Black Law Students Association (BLSA), in conjunction with the D.C. Dept. of Human Services (DHS), will sponsor its annual clothing drive during the week of Nov. 13-17, 1988. Through the DHS, clothing will be distributed to needy, aged, and handicapped residents of the District of Columbia.

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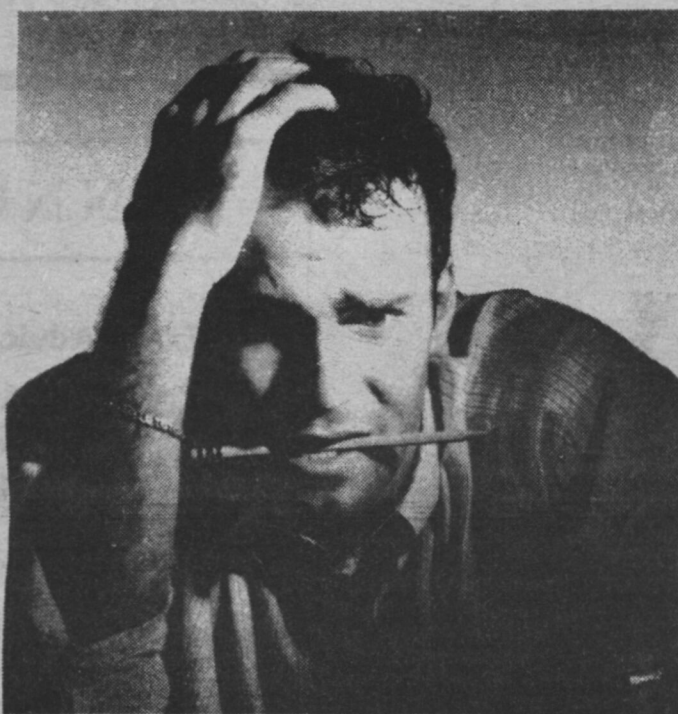
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